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## Press, radio, TV hit PSL over ban on us

"Soccer Action" has received 237 letters denouncing the Philips League's black-ban on this newspaper over our use of club names like Hellas, APIA, J.U.S.T. and Makedonia.

We also have received numerous phone calls, of which we have not kept an accurate count.

The reaction has included only one statement of support for the PSL's ban. It came by phone from a reader in Sale.

Channel 6 followed up the story of the ban on its Friday night programme last week. Commentator Dave Fordham and panellist Rale Rasic denounced the ban, while Tommy Docherty took the PSL's side. PSL Secretary Paul Kemp said he did not wholeheartedly support the ban, but added he could not speak against his own management committee.

Radio 2EA sports editor Jose Montes strongly criticised the PSL ban on air.

We have informed most newspapers in Australia about the ban. We also have informed television stations, and the Director of Community Relations, Al Grassby.

We repeat that our paper tries to reflect the views and attitudes of the spectators on the terrace. If they call their team Hellas, we respect their wishes by doing so too.

The Philips League bases itself on four Greek clubs, four Italian, one Jewish, one Dutch, one Makedonia and one Yugoslav, yet it says that because "Australians" find it abhorrent to support such clubs, the clubs must make it appear that they are not really what they are.

Our view is that the clubs have nothing to be ashamed of, that they are entitled to be proud of



Jose Montes: radio 2EA



Elias Donovdis: 'Neos Kosmos'

their identity and their traditions and that if the PSL hierarchy doesn't like it, why not form a new league made up of "acceptable" district clubs like Doveton, Banks-town, Elizabeth, Mt Gravatt, Frankston, Sunshine, Manly, Burnie and Sutherland?

This is still a free country, at least outside soccer.

Obviously we can't print all letters received, so we have picked out only two, which follow: SIR — Regarding your front page last week "PSL Bans Us", it seems the Philips League is trying to use

soccer so-called "ethnic" people as guinea pigs. These people are asked to give up their heritage and identity for the sake of the PSL experiment aimed at luring so-called "Australians" to soccer. Because "Soccer Action" stands up for the migrant people's rights, the PSL bans this great newspaper.

There are more clubs in Australia with district names than with ethnic names. Why haven't those clubs kicked on? Why are the ethnic clubs the only big clubs in soccer? It seems they are trying to reduce the ethnic clubs to the level of the district clubs. And in doing so, they will kill soccer altogether.

The whole "anti-ethnic" drive stinks. It is nothing more than discrimination and racism. I am a member of Preston Makedonia and we are finding it harder and harder to get financial support because the PSL is trying to take away our national identity. People have kept this club going because they are proud to be

Makedonians, and they are proud to have a Makedonian club. They spent thousands and thousands of dollars only recently to build our wonderful Makedonia social club, so they are entitled to keep that identity. I say good on you, "Soccer Action".

How about everyone else in soccer getting behind the paper as well? — CHRIS RISTOVSKI, Club Member, Preston Makedonia.

SIR — I feel obliged to express my congratulations for your well-written article in last week's "Soccer Action" in regards to that ridiculous ban on your paper by the Philips League, over your use of ethnic club names.

The soccer bosses should look instead at ways to improve soccer.

With actions like this, they succeed only in embarrassing themselves and hurting soccer.

Congratulations once again for battling for the betterment of soccer.

— ELIAS DONOVDIS, Sports Editor, "Neos Kosmos"



ANDREW DETTRE

### Let clubs decide...

Andrew Dettre, editor of Australia's oldest soccer publication, "Soccer World," expressed his opinion about the anti-ethnic witch-hunt in his edition of last week.

Incidentally, Andrew referred to the "Footscray Rams" whereas the Rams are supposed to be Makedonia — we think it's difficult. Andrew, we know it's difficult...

Here are excerpts from his article...

"The PSL... Really believes or appears to believe that it's the unacceptable (ethnic) names which keep the tens of thousands of Aussie fans from breaking down the gates and packing our stadiums. How awfully sad it is. Smart, educated men believe not what they see but what they would like to see."

"What I do say is that it should be left to the clubs and nobody else. If the clubs want an APIA, Hellas or Hakoah, so be it. It's their club, their investment and their risk. But it's wrong and almost dishonest for kibitzers who stand to lose nothing, to decide these issues."

"The Australian public doesn't care one iota, one way or another. If it did, our Paramattas, Auburns, Manlys and others wouldn't be playing in front of empty terraces. With their 'pure' district names to boot..."

"Some one-third of Australia's population is now either foreign-born or sons and daughters of migrants. Isn't THAT a big enough market to cultivate and develop? In our lifetime, that is. Because I am not sure whether there is any soccer in the hereafter, no matter how tantalising the prospects may be..."



'They'll throw everything at us but we'll still win,' — John Kosmina, p. 9.

## 'IDIOTS'

## Rudi blasts his critics as 'Roos take on the Kiwis'

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Procrastinator or patient planner, madman or maestro, eccentric or well-rehearsed showman? What do you say about this man Gutendorf who leads Australia into the World Cup series against New Zealand in Auckland on Saturday?

Does he have a team, finally, now that Billy Rogers, Sebastian Giampolo and Peter Katholos have increased to 61 the number of players Gutendorf has used in his two and a half years as coach?

Are they confident on the field, having been substituted in threes and fours, even fives, during most matches so far?

Has an effective playing system been instilled despite the lack of team stability?

Does he inspire the necessary confidence does he have his players' respect?

Go to a place where soccer people congregate and you will here these questions and others about Rudi Gutendorf's handling of the national team.

Personally, I always have found Gutendorf to be an extremely likeable character — sometimes bizarre as show business people are, but always charming, and an expert publicist.

He is a naturally flamboyant character, but much of his outrageousness is deliber-

ately calculated to gain publicity for his team and, of course, for himself.

Gutendorf is well aware of it, but he can take care of himself, as he demonstrated in firing massive broadsides at his critics just before leaving for Auckland.

"New Zealand will be a



Rudi Gutendorf

fair opponent but in Australia I have had nothing but unfair opponents," he said. "During my three years here, these many enemies have attacked me

constantly out of envy or sheer stupidity."

He referred to his more relentless critics as "frustrated idiots who know nothing about soccer," adding that their mental development stopped 20 or 30 years ago.

"This is the tragedy of Australian soccer," he said.

"I feel I have been wrongly treated in Australia and I am wary about staying here when my contract expires after the World Cup campaign."

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• Hellas star Billy Rogers (right), one of Australia's midfielders against New Zealand on Saturday, is foiled by Wollongong's Natch Vardareff in their top-of-the-table PSL match. Pictures: LES SHORROCK.

## World Cup draw

The programme for the Oceania World Cup qualifying group is:

April 25: New Zealand v. Australia  
May 3: Fiji v. New Zealand  
May 7: Taiwan v. New Zealand

May 13: Indonesia v. New Zealand  
May 16: Australia v. New Zealand

May 20: Australia v. Indonesia  
May 24: New Zealand v. Indonesia

May 30: New Zealand v. Taiwan  
May 31: Fiji v. Indonesia

June 6: Fiji v. Taiwan  
June 10: Australia v. Taiwan

June 14: Indonesia v. Taiwan  
June 28: Taiwan v. Indonesia

July 26: Fiji v. Australia  
August 6: Taiwan v. Fiji

August 10: Indonesia v. Fiji  
August 14: Australia v. Fiji

August 17: New Zealand v. Fiji

August 30: Indonesia v. Australia  
September 2: Taiwan v. Australia

The winner advances to a further Asian qualifying group, from which the top two qualify for the World Cup finals in Spain next year.

China and Saudi Arabia already have qualified for this Asian group. The other qualifier will be the winner of Asian Group Three, comprising Kuwait, South Korea, Thailand and Malaysia. The Group Three tournament is being played from April 17 to May 1.

## Whittle, Gemmill, then Wood

Alan Whittle (left), the former Everton and Crystal Palace star, arrived on Monday to join Preston Makedonia, while Wollongong City is finalising negotiations for a guest stint by Birmingham's Archie Gemmill (right).

Meanwhile, Makedonia has signed Jeff Wood, 27, goalkeeper of Charlton Athletic. He has played about 180 English league games, is 6ft 1ins and expected to arrive within a fortnight.



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The Australian eleven lines up before the start of Australia's first World Cup Final game against East Germany in Hamburg in 1974. From left to right: Jimmy Rooney (now with Heidelberg), Col Curran (Newcastle KB), Manfred Schaefer (retired), Jimmy Mackay (Morwell Falcons), Ray Richards (retired), Johnny Warren (retired), Doug Utjesenovic (retired), Branko Buljevic (South Melbourne Hellas), Jack Reilly (Heidelberg), Peter Wilson (APIA Leichhardt).

# 30 clashes since 1922

It was for a tour of New Zealand in 1922 that Australia formed its first national soccer squad. Since then the two nations have clashed 30 times.

Australia has held the upper hand for most of these 59 years. It has scored 102 goals to New Zealand's 46 in winning 19, drawing five and losing only six matches.

On that first historic tour of 1922, the Socceroos played 14 matches, winning nine, drawing one and losing four.

Results were:

v. Wanganui 2-1, v. Nelson

8-2, v. Wellington 0-3, v. Westland 2-1, v. South Island 4-1, v. Otago 2-1, v. New Zealand 1-3, v. New Zealand 1-1, v. Taranaki 6-1, v. Auckland 4-1, v. South Auckland 2-1, v. New Zealand 1-3, v. Manawatu 5-0.

The Socceroos' 10-0 result against New Zealand in Wellington in 1936 still stands as their biggest win. Their last loss to New Zealand was in Auckland in 1979 — the first A international under coach Rudi Gutendorf.

In the period 1933 to 1948, the Socceroos won all 10 of their games against the Kiwis.

New Zealand repaid the Socceroos' pioneering 1922 tour by visiting Australia in 1923 for 15 matches, winning six, drawing two and losing seven. Aus-

tralia was disgraced in the three-match Test series, winning 2-1 in Brisbane, but losing 2-3 in Newcastle and 1-4 in Sydney.

In 1933, Australia won another three-match Test 4-2 in Brisbane, 6-4 in Sydney and 4-2 in Sydney.

Three years later, the Socceroos visited the Shaky Isles and this time they were stronger than ever, beating the Kiwis 7-1 in Dunedin, 10-0 in Wellington and 4-1 in Auckland.

Then, on a 1948 visit, the Socceroos scored 90 goals to five in winning all 13 games, including a four-match Test series.

In 1954 it was Australia's turn to tour New Zealand. The Socceroos included star players Marston, Frankie Loughran, Bruce Morrow, Gordon Nunn, Tony Vella, Bob Wemyss and Kev O'Neill but managed only 3-2 and 2-2 against New Zealand. What's more Auckland beat the Australians 2-1 in the first game of the tour.

Results:

v. Auckland 2-1, v. Wellington 2-2, v. Combined NZ XI 8-1, 6-0, 8-0, v. South Island 3-0, v. Canterbury Province 10-1, v. New Zealand 3-3, v. New Zealand 2-2, v. Waikato 5-2.

The squad was J. Marston, capt., S. Kitching, B. Morrow, D. Murdoch, K. O'Neill (NSW), P. Adair (WA), W. Perkins (Tas), F. Loughran, T. Vella, R. Wemyss (Vic), J. Maher, I. McCabe (SA), G. Nunn, N. Rule, B. Volger (Qld).

It wasn't until 1967 that the two nations met again — this time in the South Vietnam National Day tournament in Saigon, a tournament contested also by South Vietnam, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, Thailand and Hong Kong.

Australia won that tournament, beating New Zealand 5-3 on the way.

Australia's team that night was:

Roger Romanowicz (SA) — George Keith (Vic), Frank Micie (Vic) (Sub), Manfred Schaefer (NSW), Dick van Alphen (Vic), Stan Ackley (NSW) — Alan Westwater (NSW), Johnny Warren (NSW) — Tommy McCol (SA) (Ray

Richards (NSW), Attila Abonyi (Vic), Ray Baartz (NSW), Billy Vojtek (Vic).

Australia played 10 games on that tour, winning them all. The Socceroos and Kiwis bumped into each other in another unlikely place, Djakarta, in 1972. New Zealand took an early lead through Alan Vest, now coach of Newcastle KB United, but when substitutes Ray Baartz, Adrian Alston and Branko Buljevic came on, Australia coasted to a 3-1 victory.

It wasn't easy in the 1973 World Cup qualifying series, though. A goal by Brian Turner gave the Kiwis a 1-0 lead after 57 minutes in Auckland, and it wasn't until the 85th minute that substitute Ernie Campbell salvaged a draw for the visitors.

In the return match in Sydney, New Zealand again took an early lead, through Vest in the 10th minute. However, Doug Utjesenovic equalised almost immediately and Australia led 3-1 after only 26 minutes.

It was in this match that New Zealand demonstrated its fighting spirit most convincingly, for the Kiwis were able to fight back and draw 3-3, albeit with the help of an own goal by Australian left back Bobby Hogg.

Australia won 1-0 in Auckland and 3-1 in Melbourne, under Brian Green who was national coach in early 1976.

In the first World Cup qualifying tie of 1977, the Kiwis, as usual, scored first. It was Keith Nelson who got the goal, after only four minutes, and New Zealand held that lead until the 60th minute when Peter Ollerton slid home a cross from left back Harry Williams, the star of the match John Kosmina made it 2-1 and Ollerton got another one near the end.

But the return match in Auckland was much, much more difficult and it was only because of a super-human performance by captain and sweeper Peter Wilson that Australia managed to hang on for a 1-1 draw.

The most recent game between the countries was in June, 1979, in Auckland.

But Australia wasn't impressive, and New Zealand won 1-0, with a 58th minute goal by Ormond.

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## Australia won 10-0 in '36

Australia's results against New Zealand:

1922: 1-3 (Dunedin)	1923: 1-3 (Auckland)
1923: 2-1 (Brisbane)	2-3 (Newcastle)
1-4 (Sydney)	1933: 4-2 (Brisbane)
6-4 (Sydney)	4-2 (Sydney)
1936: 7-1 (Dunedin)	10-0 (Wellington)
1948: 6-0 (Wellington)	7-0 (Christchurch)
4-0 (Wellington)	8-1 (Auckland)
1954: 1-2 (Melbourne)	4-1 (Brisbane)
4-1 (Sydney)	1958: 3-2 (Wellington)
2-2 (Auckland)	1967: 5-3 (Saigon)
October 1972	AUSTRALIA 3 (Abonyi 26th, Baartz 31st, Warren 76th)
NEW ZEALAND 1 (Vest 7th)	in Saigon
Teams with ratings:	AUSTRALIA: Corry 7 — Utjesenovic 8, Wilson 8, Schaefer 7, B. Nyskohus 6 (Baartz 8, half time), McDonald 7, Warren 3 — Abonyi 8, Armstrong 6 (Alston 7, half time), Butler 6 (Buljevic 55th, 8)
NEW ZEALAND: Morris 5 (Curtin 68th) — Sibley 7, Ferguson 7, Hastie 7, Tilloston 7 — Turner 6 (Ashurst 6, 54th), Tindall 5 (Taylor 60th), Vest 8 — Marley 7, Pollard 6, Ormond 7	March, 1973 — World Cup AUSTRALIA 1 (Turner 57th AUSTRALIA 1 (E. Campbell 65th) at Newmarket Park, Auckland, crowd about 12,000.
NEW ZEALAND: Curtin 8 — Tilloston 8, Latimour 8, Staines 8, R. Armstrong 8 — Turner 8, Vest 7, Tindall 7 (B. Armstrong 77th) — Taylor 8, Marley 7 (Brand 85th), Bland 7	AUSTRALIA: Corry 8 — Utjesenovic 9, Wilson 8, Schaefer 8, Hogg 8 — Richards 7, Baartz 7, Warren 6 (Abonyi 77th) — Alston 6 (E. Campbell 67th), Buljevic 7
March, 1973 — World Cup AUSTRALIA 3 (Utjesenovic 11th, Baartz 20th, Buljevic 25th), NEW ZEALAND 3 (Vest 10th, Tindall 50th, Hogg own goal 44th) at Sydney Sports Ground, crowd 14,071.	AUSTRALIA: Corry 7 — Utjesenovic 7, Wilson 6, Schaefer 6, Hogg 6, Richards 7, Mackay 6, Rooney 7 — Alston 7, Baartz 7, Buljevic 7
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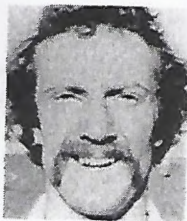
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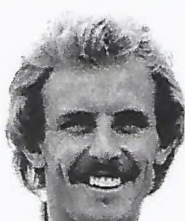
**ALLAN MAHER**  
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30 years old, member of squad for 1974 World Cup finals, played in unsuccessful 1977 World Cup campaign, was on '76 & '80 world tours. Born Sydney, former clubs: Sutherland.



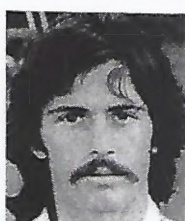
**STEVE PERRY**  
23/10  
(Brisbane City)

25 yrs, first game v Greece, 1978, was on tour of China and Taiwan, 1979, world tour 1980. Born Sydney. Former clubs: Sutherland, Western Suburbs (NSW).



**TONY HENDERSON**  
29/14/4  
(Marconi-Datsun)

27 yrs, first game v Wisla Krakow, 1979, then toured China same year and was on '80 World tour. Born: England. Previous clubs: Blackpool, Rotherham (UK), Durban Utd (Sth Africa), Canberra City.



**MURRAY BARNES**  
43/24/8  
(Sydney City)

27 yrs, Captain, first game v China in Melbourne, 1975, played in 1977 World Cup attempt, was on 1976 & '80 world tours. Formerly played forward and mid-field. Born Sydney. Previous club: Kuringal (junior).



**JIM TANSEY**  
40/18  
(Heidelberg Utd)

27 yrs, first game v USSR in Melbourne, 1975, then 1976 world tour, 1977 World Cup, 1979 China tour, 1980 world tour. Victorian Rothmans Medalist 1976. Born: England. Previous clubs: South Liverpool (UK), Slavia (Vic).



**JOHN YZENDOORN**  
15/10/1  
(Heidelberg Utd)

25 yrs first game v Partizan Belgrade in Newcastle, 1978 world tour 1980. "Soccer Action" Vic player of the year 1978. Press Asac Vic player of the year 1980. Born: England. Previous clubs: Preston Nth End (UK), Slavia.



**MARK JANKOVICS**  
29/13/2  
(Marconi-Datsun)

25 yrs, first game v N. Zealand, Auckland '76. China tour '79, world tour '80. Born: Sydney. Previous club: St George (NSW), PSL top scorer '79.



**EDDIE KRNCVIC**  
30/18/15  
(Marconi-Datsun)

20 yrs, first game v New Zealand in Auckland, 1979, then '79 China tour, '80 world tour, '80 Oceania Cup. Previous club: Croatia (Vic). Born: Melbourne.



**GREG WOODHOUSE**  
23/13  
(APIA-Laichhardt)

21 yrs, first game v New Zealand, Auckland, '79. Like Krncevic, is from national youth squad. '79 China tour, '80 world tour. Previous club: Western Suburbs (NSW). Born: Sydney.



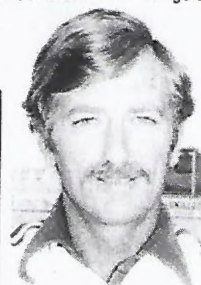
**STEVE BLAIR**  
3/2  
(Sth Melb. Hellas)

18 yrs, first game v New Caledonia, '80 Oceania Cup in Noumea, also v Dynamo Zagreb, Canberra, '81. In youth team for world titles this year. Former club: Albion Rovers (Vic). Born: Melbourne.



**SEBASTIAN GIAMPAOLO**  
(APIA-Laichhardt)

23 yrs, only game so far v Greece in Sydney, 1978. Born: Canberra. Previous clubs: Inter-Monara (ACT), Canberra City.



## Let's back Rudi, says Margaritis

Australia's 1980 Coach of the Year, John Margaritis (pictured) this week urged the soccer fraternity to get behind Rudi Gutendorf as Australia starts its World Cup campaign.

"It is unprofessional for other coaches to criticise Rudi," Margaritis said.

"Instead, we should offer him all the help we can and give him any advice he may need."

"Probably Rudi has made mistakes, but then who doesn't."

"The players all are fit, so what they need now is organisation, understanding among each other, deep discussion about the coming matches, and to concentrate on the principles of team play."

"They have lacked cohesion in the past, but I'm sure Rudi will work on correcting that in Auckland and for the other World Cup games."

Margaritis is coach of South Melbourne Hellas, the early leader of the Philips League competition.



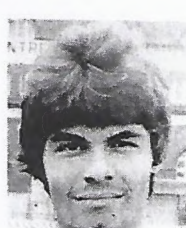
**ALAN DAVIDSON**  
15/10/1  
(Sth Melbourne Hellas)

21 yrs, first game v Czechoslovakia in Melb., 1980, was on world tour same year and in team that won Oceania Cup in Noumea. Played for national youth team in New Zealand and Paraguay, 1978-79. Born Melbourne. Previous club: Altona City.



**BILLY ROGERS**  
2/0  
(Sth Melbourne Hellas)

30 yrs, played v Wolves and FC Santos, 1972, and recalled after nine years due to excellent club form. Born South Africa. Previous clubs: Sunshine City, Melbourne Auburn, APIA.



**PETER KATHOLOS**  
0/0  
(Sydney Olympic)

20 yrs. First time in squad. Was in youth squad, Paraguay, 1979. Born: Greece. Former clubs: Mville Olympic, St George (NSW).



**PETER SHARNE**  
34/20/9  
(Marconi-Datsun)

25 yrs. First game v Arsenal in Sydney, 1977, played once as sub in 1977 World Cup series, was on China tour '79 world tour '80 and in side that won 1980 Oceania Cup in Noumea. Born: Sydney. Previous clubs: Landsvale Juniors, Liverpool City (Juniors).



**JOHN KOSMINA**  
38/22/12  
(Sydney City)

24 yrs. First game v Bologna in Adelaide, 1976, world tour '76, scored five goals in '77 World Cup. Born: Semaphore, Sth Aust. Previous clubs: Polonia (SA), Arsenal, West Adelaide, Adelaide City (as guest).



**KEN BODEN**  
23/11/6  
(Sydney City)

30 yrs. First game v Wisla Krakow in Sydney, 1979, China tour '79, world tour '80. Australian Player of Year and joint top scorer, 1978. Born: England. Previous clubs: Matlock Town, Scunthorpe, Bridlington, Doncaster Rovers (UK), Newcastle KB Utd (NSW).

## le Fevre wants closer links

After earlier discounting the strength of the New Zealand team, ASF secretary Ian le Fevre was somewhat more subdued during a quick trip to Auckland.

"We are fully aware that New Zealand is better prepared than ever before," he stated. "We also know that the Kiwis playing in the PSL are in

top form. We always expect a tough fight against New Zealand on their own paddock and this will not be any exception."

New Zealand F.A. delegates breathed a sigh of relief when the Mount Smart pitch was inspected and found to be in excellent condition.

Even more heartening for the locals was le Fevre's statement that

greater international contact between the two countries was essential for the future, particularly as the cost of bringing top grade opposition from Europe was rapidly becoming prohibitive.

Before returning to Sydney le Fevre had a word of warning to his fellow countrymen: "Any Australian who thinks the New Zealanders will be a pushover is out of his mind." — PAUL MOON.

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# Unfair to Prskalo and Henderson

Ivo Prskalo's exclusion from the national squad was quite extraordinary and extremely disturbing.

One must ask how it is that Prskalo can be left out of even the 22-man squad, when he was our regular libero for two and a half years.

Indeed, coach Rudi Gutendorf often had declared that Prskalo was irreplaceable in that position.

Great pains were taken to have him naturalised in time for the World Cup, and he even appeared on TV the day of his naturalisation.

He was the only player in the national team to almost never be substituted, while every other player was in and out quite regularly.

Yet a week before the World Cup game against New Zealand, Prskalo suddenly isn't even good enough to be one of the 22!

Tony Henderson is the new libero.

That's fine, as far as I am concerned, Henderson always has been the best man for that job. But what an injustice, that Henderson has not been able to practice that position in the national team over these two and a half years.

No, he is expected to play it to perfection straight away — in a World Cup game, what's more.

Surely Gutendorf should have sensed earlier that Prskalo was not the solution as last man, and prepared Henderson for the role much earlier.

After all, a player in Prskalo's age bracket always is a risky proposition.

Had Henderson been allowed to play libero earlier, he would be Australia's Beckenbauer today. But this late switch is unfair to both Henderson and Prskalo.

To the Soccerroos, I say: Good luck, go out there and win. You are better than New Zealand.

I'm sure you'll walk through the Oceania group, and I'm sure you'll qualify in the second stage as well.

In beating my team, Blacktown, 5-1, Adelaide City played some of the best soccer we've seen in years.

And the driving force of the team was the old maestro, John Perin, playing sweeper. Demonstrating his vision, skill and total commitment, Perin showed just how much a sweeper can do in building up and controlling play.

It was the best individual performance from a sweeper since we marvelled at Zajec of Dynamo Zagreb early this year.

Another Adelaide City star was young David Mitchell who is becoming a real threat to even the very best of defenders.

If he continues developing like this, it won't be long before he plays for the national A team.

He has fabulous family support, especially from his dad Jim. He has skill, dedication, fitness and great speed.



Ivo Prskalo — suddenly out of favor

## ASIA WATCH

### Saudi Arabia tops

Saudi Arabia took the lead in our "Asia Watch" standings by winning its World Cup qualifying group against Iraq, Syria, Bahrain and Qatar.

Saudi Arabia displaces South Korea, which had only one game recently, a 1-0 victory over Japan.

South Korea has a strong record and will battle it out neck and neck with Kuwait in their World Cup group, currently under way.

"Asia Watch" includes all results by teams in the Asia-Oceania region since January, 1980.

		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	%
									success rate
1.	(-) Saudi Arabia.....	6	5	1	0	8	2	11	91.6
2.	(1) South Korea.....	20	15	1	4	46	16	31	77.5
3.	(2) Tahiti.....	4	3	0	1	16	8	6	75.0
4.	(3) N. Caledonia.....	4	3	0	1	14	12	6	75.0
5.	(4) Kuwait.....	15	9	4	2	28	13	22	73.3
6.	(5) Iran.....	14	7	5	1	40	10	20	71.4
7.	(6) Malaysia.....	15	9	3	3	33	13	21	70.0
8.	(7) China.....	14	8	3	3	30	18	19	67.8
9.	(8) Iraq.....	19	10	5	4	26	15	25	65.6
10.	(9) North Korea.....	18	9	4	5	37	23	22	61.1
11.	(12) N. Zealand.....	6	3	0	3	15	12	6	50.0
12.	(13) Libya.....	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	50.0
13.	(11) Singapore.....	15	6	3	6	13	14	15	50.0
14.	(14) Australia.....	17	5	6	6	36	28	16	47.1
15.	(15) UAE.....	9	2	4	3	11	13	8	44.4
16.	(10) Japan.....	16	6	2	8	24	21	14	43.7
17.	(22) Qatar.....	8	3	1	4	8	11	7	43.7
18.	(16) Thailand.....	20	1	3	7	10	5	41.6	
19.	(17) Fiji.....	5	2	0	3	11	11	4	40.0
20.	(18) Hong Kong.....	5	1	2	2	4	4	4	40.0
21.	(19) Brunei.....	5	2	0	3	7	10	4	40.0
22.	(21) Israel.....	4	0	3	1	0	1	6	37.5
23.	(23) Indonesia.....	11	3	2	6	14	22	8	36.4
24.	(24) Papua N. Guinea.....	3	1	0	2	6	22	2	33.3
25.	(28) Bahrain.....	11	3	1	7	6	19	7	31.8
26.	(20) Syria.....	17	4	2	11	10	23	10	29.5
27.	(25) Yemen.....	4	1	0	3	4	11	2	25.0
28.	(27) Jordan.....	14	3	1	11	8	22	7	25.0
29.	(26) India.....	6	1	0	5	6	2	16.6	
30.	(29) N. Hebrides.....	3	0	0	3	6	9	0	0.0
31.	(-) Oman.....	2	0	0	2	0	3	0	0.0
32.	(30) Macao.....	3	0	0	3	0	3	0	0.0
33.	(31) Bangladesh.....	4	0	0	4	2	17	0	0.0
34.	(32) Solomon Is.....	4	0	0	4	2	18	0	0.0
35.	(33) Philippines.....	5	0	0	5	0	32	0	0.0
36.	(34) Sri Lanka.....	7	0	0	7	0	42	0	0.0

January: Australia v Czechoslovakia 0-4, Australia v Czechoslovakia 0-5, Australia v Czechoslovakia 2-2.

February: New Caledonia v Australia 0-8, Papua New Guinea v Australia 2-11, New Hebrides v Australia 0-1, Tahiti v Australia 2-4, New Caledonia v Fiji 2-1, Fiji v Solomon Islands 3-1, Papua New Guinea v New Hebrides 4-3, New Caledonia v New Hebrides 4-3, Tahiti v New Zealand 3-1, Fiji v New Zealand 4-0, Tahiti v Solomon Islands 5-0, Fiji v Tahiti 3-5, New Zealand v Solomon Islands 4-0, New Caledonia v Papua New Guinea 8-0, Singapore v Sri Lanka 3-0, China v India 1-0, North Korea v Iran 0-0, Singapore v India 1-0, China v Iran 2-2, North Korea v Sri Lanka 7-0, United Arab Emirates (UAE) v Jordan 1-1, UAE v Jordan 1-1, Syria v Bulgaria 0-1, Syria v Jordan 1-2, Iraq v Poland 1-1, Iran v Poland 1-0, Mexico v South Korea 0-1, New Zealand v Solomon Islands 6-1.

March: Singapore v Iran 0-3, China v North Korea 1-1, India v Sri Lanka 4-0, Singapore v North Korea 3-1, China v Sri Lanka 7-0, Iran v India 2-0, Malaysia v China 3-1, Iran v Jordan 4-0, Kuwait v Syria 1-0, Yemen v Jordan 2-1, Iraq v Syria 1-0, Yemen v Kuwait 1-5, Syria v Jordan 2-0, Syria v Yemen 2-0, Iraq v Kuwait 0-0, Iraq v Yemen 3-0, Kuwait v Jordan 1-0, Kuwait v Iraq 2-0 (Olympic qualifying final), Malaysia v Indonesia 1-1, South Korea v Japan 3-1, Brunei v Philippines 2-0, Indonesia v Brunei 2-3, Japan v Philippines 1-0, Malaysia v South Korea 3-0, Philippines v South Korea 0-8, Malaysia v Brunei 3-1, Japan v Indonesia 2-0, Malaysia v Japan 1-1, Indonesia v Philippines 4-0, Brunei v South Korea 0-3, Singapore v China 1-0, Iran v Sri Lanka 11-0, North Korea v India 2-1, Singapore v Iran 0-4 (Olympic qualifying final), Israel v Northern Ireland 0-0, Israel v Northern Ireland 0-0.

April: Japan v Brunei 2-1, Philippines v Malaysia 0-8, South Korea v Indonesia 1-0, Malaysia v South Korea 2-1 (Olympic qualifying final).

June: Sweden v Israel 1-1, Australia v Northern Ireland 1-2, Australia v Northern Ireland 1-1, Australia v Northern Ireland 1-2, Poland v Iraq 3-0, Australia v England 1-2.

July: Kuwait v Nigeria 3-1, Kuwait v Colombia 1-1, Kuwait v Czechoslovakia 0-0, Kuwait v USSR 1-2, Syria v Algeria 0-3, Syria v Spain 0-0, Syria v East Germany 0-5, Iran v Costa Rica 3-0, Iran v Finland 0-0, Iraq v Yugoslavia 1-1, Iraq v East Germany 0-4 (all Olympic matches), United Arab Emirates v Thailand 2-0, UAE v Thailand 1-1.

August: New Zealand v Mexico 4-0, Australia v Mexico 2-2, Australia v Mexico 1-1, Fiji v Mexico 0-2.

September: Canada v New Zealand 4-0, South Korea v Malaysia 2-0, Indonesia v Thailand 2-1, South Korea v Thailand 4-0, Indonesia v Bahrain 3-2, South Korea v Indonesia 3-0, Bahrain v Malaysia 1-1, Thailand v Bahrain 1-0, Thailand v Malaysia 4-1, South Korea v Bahrain 5-0, South Korea v Indonesia 2-0 (President Park's Cup final).

Seventh Asian Cup Tournament in Kuwait: Kuwait v UAE 1-1, Kuwait v Malaysia 3-1, South Korea v Malaysia 1-1, UAE v Qatar 1-2, Qatar v South Korea 0-2, Malaysia v UAE 2-0, South Korea v Kuwait 3-0, Malaysia v Qatar 1-1, South Korea v UAE 4-1, Kuwait v Qatar 4-0, North Korea v Bangladesh 3-2, Iran v Syria 0-0, North Korea v China 2-1, Syria v Bangladesh 1-0, China v Iran 2-2, Iran v Bangladesh 4-0, Syria v China 2-1, Iran v North Korea 3-2, China v Bangladesh 4-0, North Korea v Syria 2-1, Kuwait v Iran 2-1 (semi-final), North Korea v South Korea 1-2 (semi-final), North Korea v Iran 0-3 (third place play-off), Kuwait v South Korea 3-0 (final).

November: Singapore v Morocco 0-1, Greece v Australia 1-1, Libya v UAE 1-1, Israel v Australia 0-1, Hong Kong v Australia 1-0, Indonesia v Australia 1-1.

December: Hong Kong v China 0-1, North Korea v Macao 3-0, Singapore v Japan 0-1, China v Macao 0-2, Hong Kong v Singapore 1-1, China v Japan 1-0, Singapore v Japan 0-1, Hong Kong v Japan 2-2, Japan v Macao 3-3, North Korea v Japan 0-0, China v Hong Kong 0-0 (China won on penalties 5-4), China v North Korea 4-2 (all World Cup qualifying matches).

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JANUARY: Japan v Poland 2-1, 4-2, 0-2.  
FEBRUARY: 1-1 Jordan v Iraq 0-2, Mexico v South Korea 4-0, Bahrain v Jordan 1-2, Bahrain v Jordan 1-0, Bahrain v Tunisia 0-2, Japan v South Korea 6-1, Morocco v Iraq 1-1, Saudi Arabia v Jordan 2-1, Qatar v Iraq 0-1, Syria v Bahrain 0-1, Iraq v Saudi Arabia 0-1, Bahrain 2-0, Syria v Saudi Arabia 0-2, Iraq v Bahrain 2-0, Qatar v Syria 2-1, Bahrain v Saudi Arabia 0-1, Iraq v Syria 2-1, Qatar v Saudi Arabia 0-0.

## RALE RASIC

### He clashed with coach

In a shock move, New Zealand coach John Adshend recalled Hamlyn North Shore United defender Adrian Eirick who had declared himself disenchanted with Adshend's methods in 1979 and unavailable for further duties.

With their differences temporarily patched up, the tough Scot, a veteran of 52 international, adds experience and composure to the Kiwi rear-guard.

Adshend now has three robustly aggressive central defenders at his disposal in Bobby Almond, Sam Malcolmson and Eirick, which would suggest he is preparing for a physical game.

Eirick, who has appeared against the Soccerroos on five previous occasions, replaced the Mount Wellington utility player John Leijh in the 18-man squad.

The New Zealand soccer fraternity received a far less pleasant surprise when the



National Sports Foundation declined to boost World Cup coffers with a grant.

Australia's 1978 World Cup hopes fly over the bar with Dave Harding's penalty miss against Iran in Melbourne.

Ironically Allan Jones, the man groomed to succeed Adshend, declined to accept the position in December as he believed that to do so would jeopardise the Sports Foundation funding! — PAUL MOON

## Summer: 43 caps

New Zealand captain Steve Summer and his Newcastle KB team mates Roy Drinkwater and Phil Dando were fellow members of the Christchurch United team of the mid 1970's which was, arguably, the best combination ever seen in New Zealand club soccer, while in the same period Alan Vest was engaged as player-coach of New Brighton, traditionally the "second team" of the Garden City.

Within 12 months Summer had established himself as a New Zealand regular and appeared against Taiwan and Australia during the World Cup eliminators as the Kiwis failed by a single goal to progress further.

To date summer has worn the New Zealand shirt 43 times, latterly as captain, playing with distinction against teams of the calibre of England "B" (five times), Glasgow Rangers, Heart of Midlothian, Luton Town, Norwich City and Ipswich Town.

Robust, but possessing subtle skills, Summer will doubtless prove a thorn in the Soccerroos' side. PAUL MOON

There are several interesting soccer links between Tasmania and New Zealand. Tasmania's full-time Director of Soccer Coaching, Steve Darby, qualified as a FIFA instructor for the Oceania region after attending a course in New Zealand. Barry Shacklady, State under 17 coach, has also recently attended an English FA Coaching Course held in New Zealand.

The Tasmanian State League has a number of New Zealanders playing in it. Brian Davidson, the George Town coach, is a former New Zealand international. He coached Croatia in 1979 and he has won the Rothmans Gold Medal (awarded to the best State League player) for two consecutive years, in 1979 and 1980.

George Town has two other New Zealanders, Peter Davidson and Steve Morley, both from Manurewa. Croatia had three New Zealanders last year, including Davidson. The other two were Kerry McGuinness and Lindsay Groat who is coaching Derwent United in the southern regional league this season.

The earliest link between Tasmania and New Zealand was established in April 1965. A Tasmanian soccer team, the first Tasmanian sports team ever to leave Australia for an overseas tournament, went to participate in a tournament in Auckland.

The teams that took part were: Auckland, Tasmania, Wellington, Northern New South Wales, Canterbury, New Caledonia, Otago and Queensland.

Tasmania was eliminated in the first round when it lost to Auckland, 0-6. Auckland paraded four Scottish First Division players and the team was considered capable of beating the New Zealand national team.

The eventual winner was Queensland which beat Northern New South Wales in the final and collected 1000 pounds.

The Tasmanian team was M. Roussos, C. Kelly, H. Robertson, A. Goodman, I. Gjurovovic, J. Scally (captain and coach), H. Zoetsch, R. Girling, E. Huddleston, H. Streit (still playing), for Launceston Juveniles, H. Pattison, P. Wood, J. Wallace and J. Compagne. Jim Meehan was manager.

A direct air link between Tasmania and New Zealand was started last year. This, it is hoped, will benefit the tourist industries of both places.

Perhaps it may also re-establish and kindle the soccer link between the islands that was first forged in April 1965. Let us hope that we will soon see a two-way flow of soccer teams, something that can only help to develop the game, both in Tasmania and New Zealand.

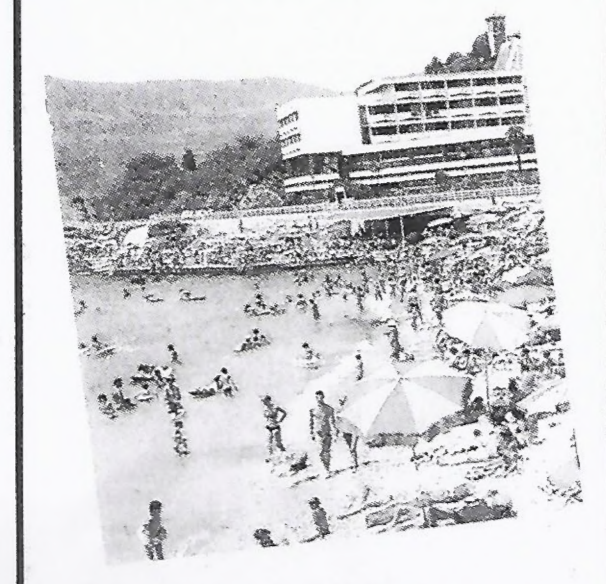
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# KIWI TROUBLES SWEEP UNDER THE CARPET

**AUCKLAND** — The Socceroos will defeat New Zealand by a margin of one or two goals here on Saturday in the crucial World Cup clash.

That's my opinion of the coming match at the terrible Mount Smart Stadium where the game will be played.

And it will be the first time an Australian soccer team will have won a World Cup match on New Zealand soil.

I'm sure a great many of you will be shaking your heads when you read this and think-

ing that I've gone off my rocker proclaiming an Australian victory after the many



**TOM ANDERSON**

happenings in the Australian camp since the ill-fated world tour at the end of last year. Well, I haven't and I have implicit faith that Rudi Gutendorf's boys will bring home the bacon and defeat the cocky Kiwis.

This Australian team has been underrated by many critics back home in Australia. It has come through petty jealousy and people trying to knock Rudi Gutendorf down. The simple reason for this is that Gutendorf is a big person-

ality within his own right and there's a number of people within soccer's ranks in Australia who can't stand this.

Somehow, for a number of years they have believed it is they who are the big personalities and when someone like Gutendorf comes along and steals the limelight — bang, he's no good and his team's no good.

Also, there are a number of people within the soccer fraternity who do not care one damn about the Socceroos.

These people forget that they are now living and earning a good living in Australia and that they are connected with Australian soccer. I repeat, Australian soccer.

But these people really don't matter when the chips are down in the World Cup arena.

It's the players who have the last say and on Saturday they

will give their lot for Australia. They know that to play in a World Cup final series comes only once in a lifetime and they also realise that this is their best chance yet with two teams qualifying from Asia.

Our boys also know that this New Zealand team has been overrated out of all proportions.

New Zealand coach John Adshead is an Englishman who on many occasions lets his mouth run off, with his brain out of gear.

I remember well that in our 1974 and the 1978 World Cup games — both draws, Adshead with a "nobody" in New Zealand.

In fact he was with the Australian players and coaches every minute of their stay in the Shaky Isles.

In those days Adshead was quick to come forward on the New Zealand style of play etc.

Now Adshead is the NZ national coach in what must be the biggest turn-up of all time.

And believe me, from what I've been hearing since I arrived here with the Socceroos on Monday, he's had more than his share of troubles.

But there again, a great number of these troubles have been swept under the carpet.

I expect the New Zealanders to trip and falter on that bump under the carpet on Saturday. Not for one minute do I think that it will be an easy game — it won't.

They are always hard here in New Zealand and a great deal will depend on the performance of the Italian referee.

I only hope he has brought his right whistle with him and the one that plays the correct tune.

There is an air of confidence about this Australian camp that I like and one that has a great deal of determination about it.

The boys are not over-confident but they know they can win.

They're also a bit "toey" and this is good before a big game like this.

Again I say I think they will win by possibly a single goal. If I'm wrong, I'll join in the mourning with the players here in Auckland on Saturday night.

But somehow I don't think this is going to happen, and Waltzing Matilda will be the song of the hour.

## Dutchman Massa caught between warring nations

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Canberra City's tall Dutch midfielder John Massa is caught between the prejudices of two warring nations when he tries to assess the comparative World Cup qualifying chances of Australia and New Zealand.

If he talks to Canberra's Kiwi international keeper Richard Wilson, Massa is tempted to favor the Kiwis' qualifying chances but when he talks to Canberra's Australian squad striker Walter Vale, the tall Dutchman isn't sure which country has the better chance.

But Massa is sure of one thing. No national squad in Western Europe would try out 60 players in 20 months like Australian coach Rudi Gutendorf did.

"In Holland we have a squad of 22 which is cut down to about 16 before the match," said Massa.

"We have the same squad for the next match, with the exception of injured players. You see, the attitude over there is that if a good player gains experience at international level he has the chance to become even better. On the other hand I should point out that Mr. Gutendorf probably doesn't know all the players here."

"Distance is a major problem in Australia. In Holland you can travel everywhere by car and you can see many games. And of course the tele-

vision coverage of European soccer in Holland is very good."

Massa's team mates, Wilson and Vale, have a friendly jibe at each other during Canberra's training sessions.

Vale thumps a shot past Wilson who is told that the same thing will happen on Anzac Day in Auckland.

But it's good natured fun. Part of Canberra's drive toward the top of the PSL is due to the harmony between first-team squad members.

Massa is struggling to fight his way into the first eleven after an excellent showing in a practice match against Blacktown before the season started.

"I just have to be determined to win a place," he said.

"I have to train hard and convince the trainer that I deserve a chance in the side rather than sitting on the bench."

Massa joined Canberra this year by chance.

He visited his brother-in-law last December. Massa's wife is Australian born.

Shortly after his arrival he met Wilson who is engaged to a relative of Massa's wife.

The pair talked about Dutch soccer as Wilson had been with Dutch First Division club Feyenoord for nine months.

Wilson suggested Massa come with him to a training session. It was there that Canberra coach George Murray told Massa that he wanted to sign him.

Massa returned to Holland and went to the Australian embassy in The Hague. He gained a visa as a temporary resident, then returned to Canberra and signed with Murray's side.

After he had been seen against Blacktown everyone wanted to know about the tall Dutchman.

Massa was 10 when he joined NEC in Holland as an amateur 15 years ago.

When he was 15 he signed for First Division club Telstar as a professional along with three other youngsters from his home town Nijmegen, near the German border.

For a year the youngsters travelled to Telstar's training five days a week. It was the kind of professional outlook which Massa believes is missing in developing young players here.

"When I was 14 I was training four times a week for an hour and a half each session."

"Australian boys seem to start getting a taste of professionalism when they are about 15 or 16 and even then they only train perhaps twice a week."

But after a year the other three Nijmegen youngsters

were signed on by Telstar. Massa was but he couldn't share the four-hour driving burden to and from the training ground with his three friends. The burden proved too great. After another year he left Telstar and returned to amateur status in his home town.

Then came the visit to Australia and his chance meeting with Wilson. Massa found Australian soccer to be similar to British soccer, with its emphasis on physical aspects.

"The standard of the PSL is quite good but you hardly could compare it with European soccer," he said.

"The game in Europe has much more emphasis on technique. It's the same difference between English and Dutch soccer."

"English soccer is very physical whereas Dutch soccer is more skilful, with the emphasis on ball playing."

"The way I see things in Europe now is that the Eastern European sides are emerging as top teams."

"That's because they have found a good blend between the physical and ball playing aspects of the game."

"To prove the point I am making about the difference between English and European soccer just watch leading English First Division club Ipswich."

"It has two Dutchmen in the first team, Franz Thijssen and Arnold Muehrens, and whenever they are on the ball they are shown a great deal of respect. They seem to have so much time to do whatever they want with the ball."

But Massa has been impressed with the skill of PSL club Sydney Olympic.

"I can't believe that Olympic is low down the ladder because it is the most skilful side I've seen here."

"It has the right blend. It is hard at the back, hard and creative in midfield, and fast and skilful up front."

Massa mainly has mixed with soccer people during his stay here. He's unemployed but is looking for a job. His wife works as a hairdresser. What does he want from Australian soccer?

"Well, first of all I want to play in the Canberra side which wins the PSL championship."

"A lot depends on getting a job and how things go with my family life here but right now I'm looking at staying here for four, perhaps five years."

"The weather's great and everyone I've met has been good to me."

And a last word on Massa's dilemma — Australia or New Zealand?

"I've played against some of the Australian players and they are very good. But I don't know what the result will be. We'll all have to wait and see."

## King of Kids holds court

With Rale Raic, the King of the Kids, based in Sydney once more, the Australian Soccer Camps clinics next month are expected to be the most successful yet.

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Mark Jankovics, another Socceroo from Marconi, Mark

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Richie Williams, school-teacher and star forward of Melita Eagles, he will run the 6-9 years "sport and fun" group.

Mal O'Neill, former Irish international, now coach of Gullford.

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"Soccer Action" will run further stories, plus pictures, about the highly advanced Dural training complex in coming editions.



Attila Abonyi coaching kids

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2	(3) Canberra City.....	3	1	1	10	3	2	2	0	4	2	14:4 13
3	(2) Wollongong.....	2	2	0	7	4	1	3	1	5	3	12:7 11
4	(5) Sydney City.....	3	2	0	9	2	1	1	2	3	5	12:7 11
5	(7) Brisbane City.....	4	1	0	9	2	0	2	2	2	5	11:7 11
6	(8) * Marconi Datsun.....	3	1	1	6	4	2	0	3	3	9	9:13 11
7	(9) Adelaide City.....	3	0	2	10	6	1	2	1	7	5	17:11 10
8	(4) Newcastle KB.....	2	2	0	9	2	2	0	3	4	8	13:10 10
9	(6) APIA-L'hardi.....	1	3	0	5	4	2	1	2	6	7	11:11 10
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11	(10) Brisbane Lions.....	2	1	1	4	3	0	3	2	5	7	9:10 8
12	(12) * Sydney Olympic.....	3	2	0	12	6	0	0	5	3	12	15:18 8
13	(13) * Heidelberg Utd.....	2	1	2	6	7	0	1	4	5	11	11:18 6
14	(14) Blacktown.....	0	2	2	5	10	1	2	2	6	8	11:18 6
15	(15) West Adelaide.....	1	1	2	3	3	1	0	4	4	8	7:11 5
16	(16) * Footscray JUST.....	2	1	2	6	6	0	0	5	1	15	7:21 5

\* Played one more game than the rest.

## PHILIPS LEAGUE TEAM OF WEEK

In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

CLARKE (1)  
(Syd. C.)

RUSSELL (2) HERMISTON (2) de GRAAF (4) TYMCZYSHYN (3)  
(Adel. C.) (Brisb. L.) (W'gong) (W. Adel.)

MAROCCHI (1) J. NYSKOHUS (1)  
(Adel. C.) (Adel. C.)

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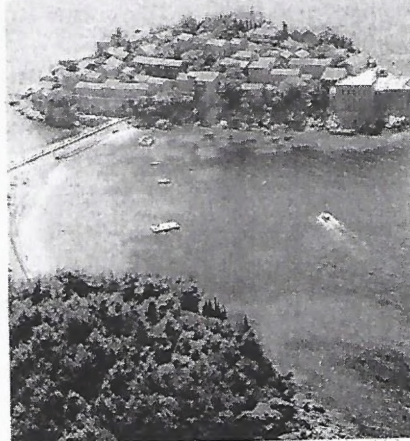
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### THIS WEEK'S VOTES

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Stevenson) WOLLONGONG CITY 0 at Middle Park. Votes by Laurie Schwab:  
6 Evans (SM), 5 de Graaf (W), 4 Blair (SM), 3 Adam (W), 2 Buljovic (SM), 1 Tredinnick (W).  
BRISBANE CITY 2 (Hamilton) 2 BLACKTOWN CITY 1 (Culina) at Spencer Park. Votes by Bruce Weddell:  
6 Burrows (Black), 5 Pelinka (BC), 4 Milovanovic (Black), 3 Dunne (BC), 2 Selvaage (Black), 1 Cow (BC).  
SYDNEY CITY 1 (Souness) BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Millman) at Sydney Athletic Field. Votes by Tom Anderson:  
6 Hermiston (BL), 5 Clarke (SC), 4 Koamina (SC), 3 Scanlon (BL), 2 Ontong (BL), 1 Millman (BL).  
PRESTON Makedonia 3 (Higham, Ollerton, Brown) APIA-LEICHHARDT 1 (Giampaolo) at Connor Reserve. Vote by Dick Prndergast:  
6 Brown (P), 5 Ollerton (P), 4 Woodhouse (APIA), 3 Flaville (P), 2 Cullen (P), 1 Giampaolo (APIA).  
CANBERRA CITY 5 (Gibson 3, Brennan, McLaren) FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 0 at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windsor:  
6 Gibson (C), 5 Byrne (C), 4 Farrell (C), 3 O'Reilly (F), 2 Belic (F), 1 Boland (F).  
MARCONI 3 (Sharne 2, Jankovics) HEIDELBERG 1 (Yzen-dorn) at Marconi Stadium. Votes by Rogers Sherrick:  
6 Sharne (M), 5 Calderon (M), 4 Tansey (H), 3 Maher (M), 2

LAIDE 1 (Tymczyshyn pen) at Pratten Park. Ratings by Ted Smithies:  
6 Jennings (SO), 5 Tymczyshyn (WA), 4 Koussas (SO), 3 Cotton (SO), 2 Katholos (SO), 1 K. Wilson (SO).  
ADELAIDE CITY 4 (J. Nyskohus 2, Villars, Russell) NEWCASTLE 1 (Kamasz) at Olympic Sports Field. Ratings by Manno Toutsidis:  
6 Marocchi (AC), 5 J. Nyskohus (AC), 4 Mitchell (AC), 3 Russell (AC), 2 Senkalski (N), 1 Perin (AC).  
Leaders:  
33. Ollerton (Mak), Brown (Mak), Koamina (SC).  
32. Hermiston (BL).  
31. T. Byrne (Cap).

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# Does Hellas have what it takes?

The recent experimental Saturday game in Sydney between Blacktown City and South Melbourne Hellas allowed me to have a look at the team some people call the champion elect.

The gate of under 3000 was disappointing for the local club, but it did include many coaching celebrities, notably Rudi Gutendorf, Les Scheinflug, Alan Vest, Ken Morton, Eric Worthington and Jimmy Shouler (who handled the Canberra Institute youth team in the early game).

I sat among the crowd on the half-way line, as I always prefer to do, because it is so much better to study the game from there, undistracted by people you know.

On this occasion Melbourne coach Jim Adams saw me sitting there and came over.

I did not mind Jim being there as he had once played for South Melbourne and had quite

a lot of information on its players.

Before the game started he said that I should watch out for the weakness of South Melbourne's Peter Laumets in the air.

I was particularly interested in having another look at Alan Davidson at full back for Hellas.

On the previous occasion I watched him, last year at the Sydney Showground against St. George. I had been particularly impressed by his composed skill, but had found him struggling to contain players defensively.

The crowd enthused over an interesting game which South Melbourne dominated for most



Mike Johnson

of the first half, but Blacktown had enough of the play to mount several dangerous attacks which caused one supporter to remark what an improvement this performance was.

I commented to Jim Adams that previous home games must have been diabolical for such a remark.

Indeed, the Press the next day was quite enthusiastic about the game, especially about the part Blacktown played in it.

I found neither the game nor the Blacktown performance to be particularly outstanding and it makes one wonder at the quality of skill and commitment displayed in other Philips League games for it to have had such a good rating.

I find the reporting of so many of our games to be so very superficial, with little attempt to interpret what is really happening in games.

So many reports are almost exclusively made up of statements such as 'A' passed to 'B' and 'B' scored which tells little interest to most people.

People do not want to know just what happened, often five days after a game, they want to know WHY.

For example, in the Blacktown-South clash no reporter commented on the repeated errors made by Peter Laumets as he tried to take crosses. This culminated in costing his team a point when toward

the end he once more came too far too early for a cross and ended up close to the corner of the six-yard box, completely missing the ball which was headed home by Blacktown substitute Peter Cuk.

Alan Davidson had all sorts of problems with winger Jovan Djordjevic.

Again he was very composed when he had possession of the ball, and possesses good vision and senses when to go forward.

However he defends like a ball-playing winger and is so easy to get past.

He jockeys with a very upright stance, which is alright in the midfield of up front, but does not give him the ability to contain lively attackers.

A defender cannot twist, turn, stop and start quickly enough from an upright position to contain skilful attackers.

Such was the case with Davidson.

Generally he lacked alertness and awareness in defensive situations, often marking space when an attacker was free close by.

With South Melbourne's player strength, it may be able to afford the luxury of a defender of the style of Davidson.

It could be a different proposition for Australia in a crucial World Cup game.

Southern play a methodical game, much of it depending on the ability of Alan Evans to receive balls and direct play up front.

Shirra and Stevenson are very similar players, both beautiful receivers and passers of the ball in the playmaker fashion but neither is fast or tenacious and they rely a lot on Billy Rogers to win balls for them in midfield.

Indeed, apart from Duncan

Cummings, who is still to re-establish himself, there is a distinct lack of pace in South's team which forces it to play its methodical build-up style.

One gets the impression that it is a team which could be hustled and busted out of its stride rather easily.

This impression was confirmed by the ease with which Blacktown achieved this in the second half.

On the other hand Newcastle, the type of team one would expect to trouble Souths, failed to make an impression and was beaten by the following week 2-0.

Nevertheless I still feel that because of its goalkeeper's problems in the air and the general make-up of the team, South will have many harrowing times as it pursues its first ever Philips League championship.

An injury to Evans or Rogers could be crucial.

## WHITTLE HERE, AND NOW ADAMS?

Preston Makedonia isn't sitting back on its coup in signing top English professional Alan Whittle.

Whittle should be available for this weekend's game against Wollongong along with another English import, Terry Nolan from Southampton.

And Makedonia coach Brian Edgley has shown interest in Frankston City stopper Bob Adams.

Edgley rang Frankston's Director of Coaching John Pryde with a tentative offer for Adams. Edgley was interested in swapping Stewart Cunningham for the tall stopper now in his eleventh season with the Baysiders.



Bob Adams

Frankston is more interested in getting Cunningham and Eric Leslie for Adams.

But it's all up to 'Big Bob'. He's been a loyal servant to Frankston and his ties with the club and his team mates may outweigh the lure of the PSL.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

## Bob bounces back

For a striker to survive a couple of years in the perpetual obstacle course that constitutes the lower divisions of the English League is a considerable achievement. To have endured ten seasons, as Newcastle KB Raiders' Bob Mountford can claim, is an accomplishment that the Bionic Man would be proud of.

Born in Stoke-On-Trent, Mountford made his debut for Third Division Port Vale, the City's "second club", at Fulham in 1970.

At the time Vale, captained by former KB United stalwart Bill Summerscales, was a solid, middle-of-the-table outfit.

The presence of Irish international striker Sammy Morgan restricted Mountford's first team appearance and it wasn't until Morgan's transfer to Aston Villa in 1973 that he became a regular member of the Vale forward line.

It was the "Valiants" subsequent insistence upon playing him in midfield that led to a transfer request, and after loan periods at Scunthorpe United and Crewe Alexandra he joined Rochdale and thus commenced a seven-year stint in the Fourth Division.

Mountford was leading goalscorer in each of his three seasons at Rochdale before transferring to Huddersfield Town in 1977.

Two years later he was on the move again, this time to Halifax Town.

The highlight of three seasons at the Shay was undoubtedly Town's shock 1-0 FA Cup victory over Malcolm Allison's star-studded Manchester City last year, Mountford giving City's Tommy Caton a torrid afternoon in the Halifax mud.

Surprisingly placed on the transfer list at the end of the 1979-80 campaign, Mountford was given trials by both Crewe Alexandra and Stockport County.

A two-goal performance for Stockport against Doncaster Rovers convinced the watching Alan Vest that Mountford could still perform a substantial role with his Raiders.

Mountford, who made nine "guest" appearances for the Northern New South Wales club in 1978, could prove to be the final piece in Vest's jigsaw, his strength, power and determination supplementing the skill which the Raiders obviously have in abundance.

Scoring 64 goals during his 267 English League appearances, the battle-scarred veteran will be eager to improve his strike rate in Newcastle's cause.

— PAUL MOON

G'day. It's yer old mate Bluey here again.

The "Soccer Action" newspaper called me in to give all youse dinks out there a run-down on Sunday arvo's PSL games.

Ye see, the usual "Soccer Action" crowd have been ramming these bloody ethnic names down everyone's throat and now that they're black-banned it's Bluey turn to add a slurp of fair dinkum Australian to the soccer mixture here.

But be warned. Any ethnic out there seeing this bonzer little article will be forced to recite the unabridged version of Bango Patterson's complete anthology and watch every "Number 96" serial ever made. Twice.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ve haf vays of makink you assimilate.

I reckon every bloke who trots off to the Wollongong and Preston Makedonia game on Sunday is in for a real beat treat. (Correction: Please read that paragraph again and delete the word Makedonia. Sorry.)

Preston/Makedonia/Rams/Merinos (please tick your preference) have a couple of greyhounds wide on the flanks called Doug Brown and Rob Cullen.

Gez can these blokes burn! Now that Wollongong/Wolves/Guntons are without the mighty little Clive Campbell and Brian Turner they seem a bit undermanned.

They've got no-one up front to go in for the hard ball. Most of the guys up there are good at getting into the clear, taking a quick handball and

getting the run-on game flowing but against the aggressive Preston boys I reckon the home side might have to settle for a point.

Newcastle's Bob Mountford is one of the best full forwards in the league. He's a bloody big bloke and he knows how to throw his weight around.

If Brisbane City sweeper Jimmy Dunne plays from behind he'll get a hiding from the big KB bloke. I don't know how often our commentators have to make the point that the guy in front is going to win most decisions from the ump.

I reckon Newcastle/KB United/Raiders/Six Packs are gonna show Brisbane City/Gladators/Anacs what pressure footy is all about.

Just checked through my stats on the players from Brisbane Lions and Canberra Arrows/Woomeras, the two sides who battle it out at Richlands/Bjelke Petersen Stadium on Sunday.

Lions rover Paul Ontong is the highest kick getter in the league so far. His ability to scout the packs and pick up the crumbs from the big blokes is really standing out this year.

Canberra full back Richard Wilson is over in Kiwi country preparing for the grudge match against the Aussies and he'll be a bloody big loss.

Wilson's a champion one-grab defender. Actually I reckon he's the best full back in the league.

But the Lions are a top side defensively. They've got a team of champions at the back but as the old saying goes a team of champions doesn't always make a champion team so I reckon a draw's looking spot-on up there in the banana bender's state.

IN SYDNEY  
APIA Leichhardt v Adelaide City (draw) at Lambert Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 - APIA 1-0, 1-1. 1980 - AC 2-0, APIA 2-1.

IN WOLLONGONG  
Wollongong v Preston Makedonia (draw) at Wollongong Showgrounds, Sunday, 3 pm.

IN NEWCASTLE  
NEWCASTLE v Brisbane City at International Sports Centre, Sydney, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1978 - BC 3-2, Newc 2-1. 1979 - Newc 4-1, 1-1. 1980 - Newc 2-1, 1-2. Advantage Newcastle 3 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss. Goals: 12-8.

IN BRISBANE  
Brisbane Lions v Canberra (draw) at Richlands Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - BL 2-1, Canb 1-0. 1978 - Canb 2-1, 2-2. 1979 - BL 3-0, 2-1. 1980 - BL 4-2, 0-0. Advantage Lions 4 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 13-9.

## Hat-trick heroes

The "Soccer Action" hat-trick diploma is available to any junior player who scores three or more goals in any league, Cup, interstate, or official school match. Friendly games do not count.

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This week's hat-trick heroes are:

N. Gudell, five goals, M. Blazevic, R. Alimouska (Dandenong C); Andrew Dick, 10 (Springvale); Peter Miletic, 10, four goals, Ricardo Soldani, 10, five goals (Sunshine C); Chris Grimmer, 13, Mal Pearson, 13, Gary Barlow, 13 (Twin City Wanderers); Steve Prskalo, 13

Preston Makedonia isn't sitting back on its coup in signing top English professional Alan Whittle.

Whittle should be available for this weekend's game against Wollongong along with another English import, Terry Nolan from Southampton.

And Makedonia coach Brian Edgley has shown interest in Frankston City stopper Bob Adams.

Edgley rang Frankston's Director of Coaching John Pryde with a tentative offer for Adams. Edgley was interested in swapping Stewart Cunningham for the tall stopper now in his eleventh season with the Baysiders.

## Bob bounces back

For a striker to survive a couple of years in the perpetual obstacle course that constitutes the lower divisions of the English League is a considerable achievement. To have endured ten seasons, as Newcastle KB Raiders' Bob Mountford can claim, is an accomplishment that the Bionic Man would be proud of.

Born in Stoke-On-Trent, Mountford made his debut for Third Division Port Vale, the City's "second club", at Fulham in 1970.

At the time Vale, captained by former KB United stalwart Bill Summerscales, was a solid, middle-of-the-table outfit.

The presence of Irish international striker Sammy Morgan restricted Mountford's first team appearance and it wasn't until Morgan's transfer to Aston Villa in 1973 that he became a regular member of the Vale forward line.

It was the "Valiants" subsequent insistence upon playing him in midfield that led to a transfer request, and after loan periods at Scunthorpe United and Crewe Alexandra he joined Rochdale and thus commenced a seven-year stint in the Fourth Division.

Mountford was leading goalscorer in each of his three seasons at Rochdale before transferring to Huddersfield Town in 1977.

Two years later he was on the move again, this time to Halifax Town.

The highlight of three seasons at the Shay was undoubtedly Town's shock 1-0 FA Cup victory over Malcolm Allison's star-studded Manchester City last year, Mountford giving City's Tommy Caton a torrid afternoon in the Halifax mud.

Surprisingly placed on the transfer list at the end of the 1979-80 campaign, Mountford was given trials by both Crewe Alexandra and Stockport County.

A two-goal performance for Stockport against Doncaster Rovers convinced the watching Alan Vest that Mountford could still perform a substantial role with his Raiders.

Mountford, who made nine "guest" appearances for the Northern New South Wales club in 1978, could prove to be the final piece in Vest's jigsaw, his strength, power and determination supplementing the skill which the Raiders obviously have in abundance.

Scoring 64 goals during his 267 English League appearances, the battle-scarred veteran will be eager to improve his strike rate in Newcastle's cause.

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The "Soccer Action" goalkeeper of the year will receive a Seiko watch from Konstantine Jewel Box, Melbourne.

The winner will be the goalkeeper who has appeared most often in the "Soccer Action" team of the week.

This week's top goalkeeper is **TODD CLARKE** of Sydney City

# Ripper footy for all youse dinks

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

APIA/Leichhardt/Strikers/Builders and Laborers will be put under the hammer by the visiting Adelaide on Sunday.

They're two champion sides and it's just a matter of which side produces the goods on the day.

I'll have a fiver on the home side because I reckon it's gonna make the final four this year and has a top chance of getting into the grand final.

When I first got the draw for Sunday arvo's games South

Melbourne/Hellas/Gunners/Dunns Doors were listed as playing against West Adelaide/Hellas/Hawks/Haydens and Sydney City were to be up against Blacktown/Demons/Bushfires but it looks like these games will be called off.

Ye see there's this little rule about a side having three blokes playing for Orstralia when it's due to play a PSL game at the same time.

Seems that Saturday arvo's game in Auckland has left Sydney whatyoumaccas and South Melbourne thingamejiggers with three blokes apiece in the Roo squad.

There's no flies on the guys what run these two clubs.

They reckon that with three champions missing from their line-ups the other mob is gonna get an unfair advantage.

So they asked the blokes up at the PSL headquarters to play the white man and give them a fair go.

In keeping with a good old Aussie tradition the games look all set to be called off.

So that's it folks, until Bluey's champion writing is needed once more.

I'll leave you with me own little saying.

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# Ollerton, Brown wreck APFA

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Let's not overlook the fact that his coaching career developed in soccer-mad countries where the tabloid scandal sheets engage in cut-throat competition for the most sensational headlines.

Gutendorf has been the subject of many such headlines. He now knows how to inspire them — and what's more he's proud of that ability.

It is that very ability that has made him a leading "personality" in Australian sport.

And the same ability has made the Socceros more publicised than ever before.

As a coach, he has a good eye for a player and is quick to spot a player's weaknesses. It's true that his personnel changes have been excessive but had the ASF appointed a local coach rather than one from overseas, all these changes never would have been necessary.

A local coach would have known the players and their abilities. Gutendorf only could rely on other people's advice, which he did and still does, or on watching club games.

The difficult process has resulted in mistakes. For example, Gutendorf made Ivo Prskalo his No. 1 choice as libero for two years, even though Prskalo was as old as Jimmy Rooney, who was discarded by Gutendorf because he was "too old". Now Prskalo is out and a new man has to fill the position.

John Coyne was described by Gutendorf as "Australia's Nobby Nobby" but he was discarded when Gutendorf decided the midfielder wasn't good enough.

Roberto Echeverria of Brisbane City and Stuart Baxter of South Melbourne Hellas were in the squad even though they were not naturalised and, indeed, returned to their home countries soon afterwards.

Phil O'Connor, clearly one of Australia's finest forwards, was discarded after the China tour over a couple of indifferent performances, yet he is back in form and clearly a player who fits Gutendorf's mould better than O'Connor's APFA team-mate Sebastian Giampaolo.



Gary Cole

And despite his belief in youth, Gutendorf discarded one of Australia's best young defenders, Arno Bertogna, over one or two ordinary performances on his last year.

On the credit side, however, he brought Eddie Krncevic, Steve Hogg, Greg Woodhouse, Peter Katholos, Steve Blair and John Spanos into the national A squad after having coached them in the youth team. All will be key players in future World Cup campaigns, depending on their own dedication.

And what of Gutendorf's style of play?

His critics say he has none. However, he explains it this way: when defending, we pick up opponents tightly, to the extent that even the forwards follow opposing defenders and stop them from being creative. When we win the ball we attack in quick breaks, using speed and aggression. Slow build-ups are out! They give the opposition too much time to gather in defence.

But whatever the style of play, it can be effective only if it is well-rehearsed with the same set of players who know each other's strengths and weaknesses.

The team that will take the field on Saturday is likely to include at least two new men — Katholos and John Kosmina who despite one half game against New Zealand in 1979 and a few minutes against Northern Ireland last year, has been absent from the squad for three years.

Still, Gutendorf is supremely confident of victory. He says that victory will answer his critics much more effectively than his own words can. Gutendorf says he is not sure what his team will be. It's



Brian Turner

more likely that he just doesn't want to show New Zealand his hand.

He didn't think Jim Tansey looked sharp enough against Marconi last Sunday so now he's toying with the idea of playing Alan Davidson as left back instead.

However, Davidson may yet stay in midfield as Gutendorf originally had planned, if Tansey improves during training in Auckland, as I expect he will.

Gutendorf likes Steve Blair's qualities as stopper and would dearly like to use him, but he fears Blair's lack of experience, and so he may stick with Murray Barnes in that position.

Billy Rogers has been given the nod for the defensive mid-field post, but the other mid-field position, which had been expected to go to John Zenden, is almost certain to go to Katholos instead.

Gutendorf appears to have made up his mind for the forward positions. They will be filled by Peter Sharne, John Kosmina and Ken Boden, with either Boden or Sharne operating deep.

Gutendorf's Victorian assistant, Tony Boggi, who preceded Gutendorf to Auckland, rang Sydney on Sunday with the news that New Zealand had beaten a league selection 2-0 and that the best man on the ground was none other than Brian Turner.

Yet a week earlier, Turner's club, Wollongong City, had announced that Turner had a fractured ankle and would be out of action for a long time.

"No-one from Wollongong bothered to tell me that Turner suddenly was fit again," Gutendorf said.

The New Zealand team also featured Wollongong's Clive Campbell on the right wing, Adelaide City's Glen Dods at left back, Canberra's Duncan Cole at defensive midfield, and Canberra's Richard Wilson in goal.

Steve Woodin, the striker who is supposed to be New Zealand's most lethal weapon, had an ordinary game.

"I am not worried," Gutendorf said. "I know them all, I know them as well as I know Marconi."

He said he was extremely pleased by Peter Sharne's two-goal performance for Marconi against Heidelberg last Sunday, but was angry that Gary Cole came on as a substitute for Heidelberg although he had been told by Gutendorf to rest the thigh injury which had caused him to be omitted from the Socceros squad.

"I take it as a personal offence that Cole played against the advice of our two doctors, Brian Corrigan and Sir Kanagara," he said.

"I will punish him, I might leave him out of the later World Cup games."

Cole had, however, made it clear to Gutendorf and the doctors that if his leg was sound enough, he felt obliged to play for Heidelberg. He could not let his club down, he said.

It was, in the first place a little unfair to leave Cole out of the squad over a minor injury which probably would have cleared up in the remaining week before the game. After all, Ken Boden was injured and could not play for Sydney City last Sunday, yet he is in Auckland.

Gutendorf would not comment about Indonesia, expected to be an even stronger opponent than New Zealand in the Oceania Group. "That is too far away," he said. "I worry only about New Zealand at the moment, and about the referee, the weather and the ground."

He pointed out that the result of the two games and years of experimentation is that he now has at least two men available to fill each position. "I have shown foresight instead of narrow-mindedness. It will pay off on Saturday."

## P. Makedonia 3 APFA-L'hardt 1

Goals: Higham 11th, Ollerton 30th, Brown 53rd (Preston) Giampaolo 19th (Leichhardt).

Ground: Connor Reserve, Reservoir.

Crowd: 3500 (estimate).

Weather: cloudy, cool.

Caution: Marsello.

Referee: S. Mellings (Vic).

PRESTON: Clayton 6, Rainey 5, Petrovski 6, Higham 6, Beach 5, Flavell 5, Lucchessi 7, Faulkner 6 (Lesbirel 51st), Cullen 8, Ollerton 9, Brown 9.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 8; Skellern 6, Watt 6, Wilson 6, McLeod 6, Kanga 7, Leyden 6, Hughes 5, O'Connor 7, Marsello 6, Giampaolo 7.

Preston may not win the championship but they remain one of the most entertaining sides to watch with their all attacking style.

Whereas in most matches one can keep count of the scoring chances with comparative ease, this match provided enough shots to fill a notebook.

Peter Ollerton, back to his best, and Doug Brown, returning after suspension, both tested Greg Woodhouse several times apart from scoring the goals that mattered for the home side.

Robert Cullen did nearly as much as the pair and came within inches of ending up on the scoresheet himself, hitting the crossbar after 23 minutes.

But if the forward line takes most of the glory when the side wins, the Preston midfield deserves as much credit on this occasion for it was their dominance in the middle of the park that provided the source of the attacks.

Gordon Flavell had his best match of the season, overhauling Alan Hughes and setting up the second and third goal, while Claude Lucchessi also had a good match going forward and twice tested Woodhouse himself.

Leichhardt's only answer to Ollerton was Zdenko Kanga who held his own for the opening half hour but slowly drifted out of the match after half time.

The visiting side gave as good as it got in the first 20 minutes and Sebastian Giampaolo, Rod Skellern and Hughes all had shots on target which tested Gary Clayton before Giampaolo headed home Leichhardt's goal, rising unchallenged to meet Kanga's cross from the right after a short corner.

Up till then Preston had looked tentative although it had grabbed the lead in the 11th minute through Higham, its few other skirmishes up front provided no real danger for Greg Woodhouse.

Even Higham's goal was the result of a defensive misunderstanding by Peter Wilson and David Watt who both tried to clear and missed Brown's free kick.

But the tide turned after 23 minutes when Wilson, seemingly safely sliding a Doug Brown through ball, was robbed by Cullen near the byline and the nippy winger rounded the keeper before hitting a shot under pressure against the bar.

Flavell came into his own in the half hour setting up Ollerton with a crossfield centre



Dick Prendergast

## MATCH RATING: 8

for a header which eluded Woodhouse to end up in the corner of the net.

After that Brown, Cullen and Lucchessi all forced the keeper into good saves before Brown sealed Preston's win with a goal early in the second half.

Again it was Flavell who set up the goal, sending Brown

## THOMSON GETTING WORRIED

### Sydney City 1 Brisbane Lions 1

Scorers: City - Ian Souness 20th minute. Lions - Ron Millman 27th min.

Venue: Sydney Athletic Field.

Conditions: Perfect. Crowd: 1726.

Referee - Richard Lorenz - 9.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 8, Souness 7, Bruce 6, O'Connor 6, Spanos 7, Patikas 7, Muniz 6 (Sub Cant 56th 6), Barnes 7, Watson 6, Kosmina 8, Gomez 6 (Sub Murray 72nd).

BRISBANE LIONS: Scanlon 8, Orlong 7, Nivan 7, Lindsay 6, Bennett 7, Hermonston 9, Hogg 7, McLean 6, Ferris 6, Millman 7, Wright 7.

They came, they played and they went happily home to Brisbane with a valuable point in the kitty.

That's the tale of Brisbane Lions' visit to the Sydney Athletic Field last Sunday.

This was the third time in three seasons that the Queenslanders have come to the big smoke of NSW and gone home with a point.

Indeed, they were unlucky not to have captured two against a Slickers outfit that failed to impress with a very in and out performance.

The Queenslanders were a workmanlike, no-nonsense team.

The leader of the pack was the irrepressible Jim Hermonston who, like good wine, gets better as the years roll by.

Hermonston was the complete organiser in defence.

The Slickers grabbed the lead in the 20th minute when Ian Souness hit a tremendous free kick past Lions goalkeeper Tony Scanlon from 30 metres.

Souness bent the ball round the Lions defensive wall in "Brazilian fashion". It was a magic moment.

away with a through ball out of defence. Brown had Cullen available free on the right but elected to attack Wilson, the only defender between him and the goal, then shooting underneath Woodhouse from outside the area.

Brown again came close, meeting a half clearance on the volley to bring another good save off Woodhouse but pace slackened off for the rest of the match with the Leichhardt forward line unable to make any headway against the Preston defence which tightened up after its opening lapses.

Giampaolo showed no ill effect from his recent hamstring injury and was fairly lively throughout the game, giving his marker Mike Rainey a tough time but his partnership with Tony Marsello has yet to develop before the team can aspire at anything higher than a mid-table position.



## MATCH RATING: 7

Unfortunately there were no more magic moments for the Slickers fans, much to their regret.

Lions equaliser came seven minutes later when Ron Millman ran onto a great through ball from Bobby Ferris to slip it past Todd Clarke.

Later on the Queenslanders caught out the Slickers defence with more of these searching through balls and it was only the fine anticipation of Todd Clarke that saved the day.

The Socceros on display — captain Murray Barnes and John Kosmina played well within themselves and kept out of trouble.

Kosmina however looked very sharp and I think that he should produce the goods against the Kiwis on Saturday.

Throughout the match he was marked by two or three Brisbane defenders but still managed to lay the ball off.

Unfortunately some of his team-mates failed to take advantage and could not read the situations.

After the match Slickers coach Eddie Thomson was disgusted and dismayed.

"Another point down the drain," declared the sad Thomson.

"We shall have to get our act together very soon if we are going to retain our championship."

# Century for Palinkas, Basic disappointed

## Brisbane City 2 Blacktown 1

Scorers: Brisbane City 1 Hamilton 43rd & 87th; Blacktown: Culina 85th.

Ground - Spencer Park.

Weather - fine.

Crowd about 2000.

Referee - D. Miles 8.

Caution - Culina (BC).

BRISBANE CITY - Coe 7, Perry 7, Ratcliffe 6, Dunne 7, W. Wilkinson 7, Gaffney 6, Pimblett 6, Hamilton 7, P. Wilkinson 6, Kelso 6 (Coe 71st).

BLACKTOWN - James 5, Whendley 7, Milovanovic 7, Pointer 6, O'Donnell 6, Salvage 7, Hormazabal 6, Culina 6, Djordjevic (Milovanovic 20th,



Bruce Weddell

## MATCH RATING: 7

6), Burrows 8, Wallace 6 (Rasmussen 49th, 6).

"This is the fourth time we have thrown away a silly goal in the last few minutes," lamented Rase after Black-

town first had a point, then lost it, as Brisbane City retained their unbeaten home record.

"We outplayed them in every department yet finished with nothing. A goalkeeping mistake cost us the first goal and we hit the woodwork twice," said Basic.

Admittedly Blacktown did meet the woodwork twice, but Paul Wilkinson also suffered the same fate in the second half, the fifth time it has happened to him at home this year.

Yet overall Blacktown certainly did deserve to share the points as City again did their best to waste a half-time lead by squandering several easy second half chances.

However they did display

some character by bouncing back immediately for the winner, only two minutes after Blacktown had pulled level.

Blacktown could not take a trick in this game in the first half. Firstly, Craig Wallace's header hit the crossbar with Martin Coe stranded in the third minute, following a neat move between Branko Culina and Jimmy Rooney-lookalike Stewart Salvage.

Then in the 20th minute, Blacktown's highly-rated former Yugoslav Olympic representative, Jovan Djordjevic limped off the park, still disgraced at a professional level, which earned Jimmy Dunne the only booking of the match.

Djordjevic was making a reappearance for Blacktown and played with his right thigh heavily strapped.

He pushed a ball past Dunne but as he attempted to round the City sweeper he was halted in his tracks by a deliberate blocking tackle. The incident happened in the 8th minute but Djordjevic lasted another 12 before surrendering.

The man of the match in this game played on the losing side. He was former Newcastle striker Paul Burrows, whose busy performance up front continually hassled the City backline.

But Burrows should have punished City when he was allowed to accept a long clearance from Bruce James and as the defence watched, seemingly mesmerised, he rattled his shot just wide.

Just before half-time City scored the goal which never looked likely to eventuate when Steve Perry crossed from the right and the ball eventually fell for Larry Gaffney deep on the left.

Gaffney whacked the ball into the goalmouth where James fired and tumbled, allowing Bobby Hamilton to charge in and finish off.

City's most dangerous forward on the day was Joe Palinkas, playing in his 10th PSL match, and he just shaded Paul Wilkinson for the honours.

# Koussas nets two



Ted Smithies

## MATCH RATING: 6

Scorers: Olympic: Koussas 2, Cotton; West Adelaide: Tymczyszyn Penalty.

Venue: Pratten Park.

Crowd: 6120.

Referee: Tim Davies 6.

OLYMPIC: P. Wilson 7 - Moulis 5, Ziros 8, K. Wilson 8, Palmer 8 - Raskopoulos 6, Katsos 8 - Laing 7, Cotton 8 (Cross 80th), Koussas 8, Jennings 9.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 7 - Maricic 6 (Haig 6 47th), Kambar 6, Tymczyszyn 9, Bostanic 8 - Honeyman 6, McKillop 7, Topas 8 - Manocass 5, (Hughes 71st), Brown 8, Wright 8.



Olympic star Graham Jennings (left) with APFA's Rod Skellern

# Myaskous, Marocchi sparkle

## Adelaide City 4 Newcastle KB 1

Scorers: Adelaide - J. Nyskolus 2, Villani, Russell.

Newcastle: Kamaz.

Ground: Olympic Sports Field.

Crowd: 3100.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall (Lai Perassin 15th 7) - Russell 8, Perin 8, Miller 8, B. Nyskolus 8 - Villani 7, Marocchi 9, J. Nyskolus 8, Melia 8 - Mitchell 8, Northcote 8.

NEWCASTLE KB: Dando 7 - Rooney 7, Bertogna 6, Drinkwater 7, H. Tradinnick 6, McClelland 6, Mason 6, Buckley 6 - Kamaz 6 (Hay 75th), Senkalski 8, Mountford (Lij Jones 15th 6).

Newcastle KB's inconsistency continued with a 4-1 loss in Adelaide while Bob D'Ottavio's charges continued their climb up the PSL ladder.

The KB brains trust has a few problems with its defence. KB defenders are starting to play the ball short at the back and are getting caught out.



Meno Youtsidis

## MATCH RATING: 8

Arno Bertogna sold the first goal by trying to play the ball square to Roy Drinkwater but his pass was intercepted.

Up to about a month ago KB had gone 25 games without defeat. This winning run incorporated the tail end of last PSL season, a tournament in Singapore and pre-season games.

A few KB defenders will be reminded of the value of getting the ball forward safely.

"We may have to start playing it long from the back and scrapping for it upfield," said



John Nyskolus

KB assistant coach Frank Campbell.

The stars of Adelaide City's side were Gary Marocchi and John Nyskolus. With the exception of Joe Senkalski most KB players should hold their heads low after their second half effort.



# Gibson the sensation

## Canberra 5 Footscray JUST 0

Goals: Gibson 3, Brennan, McLaren.  
Venue: Bruce Stadium.  
Crowd: 6190.  
Referee: Bob Mee.  
CANBERRA: Hozzowski 7 - M. O'Shea 8, Byrne 8, Stark 8 (Massa 7 half time), Williams 8 - J. O'Shea 8, Farrell 8, R. O'Shea 7 - McLaren 7, Brennan 8 (Purdie 65th), Gibson 9.  
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Boland 8 - O'Reilly 8 - Milne 6, Kyriakoulas 6 (McLaughlin 6, 36th minute).



Peter Windsor

## MATCH RATING: 8

Kondarios 6, Petrov 6 - Belic 8, Iliaski 6, Jovanovic 6 - Kankantonis 6, Cozzella 6.

The biggest crowd of the season at Bruce Stadium turned up to see Canberra's biggest win in the PSJ, which achieved the club's highest standing on the ladder at this stage of the year.

Jan Gibson, recently arrived from Scotland, was the sensation of the game, scoring a hat-trick, while Ian Purdie also impressed when he came on as a substitute.

J.U.S.T., with the exception of sweeper Jim O'Reilly and midfielder Vlatko Belic, looked every bit a bottom-of-the-table team, and will continue to struggle until reinforcements arrive.

# ALUN EVANS TOPS AGAIN

## Sth Melb. Hellas 1 Wollongong 0

Goal: Stevenson 72nd.  
Ground: Middle Park.  
Weather: fine.  
Crowd: About 7000.  
Referee: Chris Brambridge 9.  
Cautions: Shirra (SM), de Graaf (W).



Laurie Schwab

## MATCH RATING: 8

HELLAS: Laumets 4 - V. Bannan 7, Blair 8, Xanthopoulos 7, Davidson 7, Stevenson 6, Rogers 7, Shirra 6 - Cummings 6 (Christopoulos 70th), Evans 9, Buljevic 7.  
WOLLONGONG: Vardareff 7 - Willis 6, Dunleavy 5, de Graaf 9, Ainsworth 7 - McGreen 7, Adam 7, Fleming 7, Tredinnick 7 - Fontana 6, Morlando 6 (Morton 73rd).

Wollongong was the mid-field but was unable to shackle Hellas captain Alun Evans and had little fire power in attack.

Yet after the first half, this match appeared likely to result in a draw.

The turning point, according to some of the Hellas players, came in the dressing room at half time.

As the players discussed ways of breaking down this Wollongong side, Branko Buljevic suggested they should direct all their crosses to him at the far post. He was confident he could win in the air.

So they started doing it, and indeed, Buljevic won most of the high balls. This caused Wollongong more problems than anything Hellas had offered in the first half.

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Steve Blair, who had an excellent game in defence, had to clear behind Laumets in the 53rd minute after Laumets had missed a Tredinnick cross.

But if Wollongong was unlucky in these situations, Hellas also had chances to score, notably in the ninth minute, when Arthur Xanthopoulos's throughball sent Duncan Cummings away.

Cummings cut inside and crossed. Shirra whose header hit the bar.

Wollongong obviously missed the star forward Clive Campbell who had been virtually a one-man attack all year. Glen Fontana stuck to his task, but with Jack Morlando going too deep too often, Fontana usually was all on his own up front. Yet despite Morlando's "wandering" he looked a very enterprising, ambitious type of player always willing to have a shot.

Another absentee was midfielder John Lathan, out injured.

With these two back, and if Wollongong maintains its disciplined style of play, it should remain a threat to the league leader.

Hellas opened up a clear lead at the top with his victory, but its midfield did not function well and the team still needs a hard-shooting striker to finish off all the lead-up work.

In the 65th minute Colusso replaced Krncevic and almost scored with his first touch. With only Oliver to beat Colusso tried to get closer to goal and pushed the ball too far and Oliver picked up with ease.

In the 81st minute Marconi scored yet again. Paul Degney's cross was brilliantly headed home by Sharne. The ball appeared to have crossed the line as one of the defenders booted it out. Celebrations and hugging by Marconi soon stopped as the linesman kept his flag down, while Peter Rampley, smiling to someone some 30 metres from goal, booted it out. Celebrations and hugging by Marconi soon stopped as the linesman kept his flag down, while Peter Rampley, smiling to someone some 30 metres from goal, booted it out.

With seconds remaining, Dennis Colusso lobbed Oliver but hit the crossbar. Jankovic, always alert, ran in to slam a header under the crossbar and make it 3-1.

It was a great game and one that should certainly show that when these two teams meet, FOUR GOALS ARE ON. They have met in the League nine times and scored 39 goals, 22 to Marconi and 17 to Bergers.

Senior Blanco must have been delighted to see his team perform well with both the national coach, Rudi Gutendorf and his assistant Les Scheinflug watching the game.

Rooney replaced himself soon after and brought Gary Cole on in an effort to draw level. His move was a good one and Cole almost made it for the visitors. An overhead kick by Cole had Maher diving to save, then a great header by

Marconi continued to dominate and increased their lead towards half time. Eddie Krncevic sent a perfect through pass to Mark Jankovic, who eluded Arthur McMillan before crossing for Sharne to send an unstoppable left-foot drive just under the crossbar.

Heidelberg were beaten soundly in the first 45 minutes



Wollongong goalkeeper Natch Vardareff rises high to foil Hellas forward Branko Buljevic, with Peter Willis flat on his back.

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## John Kosmina (left) in an aerial duel with John Houghton during the 1977 World Cup qualifying match against New Zealand in Sydney in 1977.

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# Kosmina: we'll beat Kiwis!

Australia has a squad of high quality players who will beat New Zealand in Auckland on Saturday. Just ask Soccerro striker John Kosmina.

For Kosmina, a veteran of Australia's last World Cup campaign, being recalled to the national team must seem like a rise from the dead.

After being one of the stars of Australian soccer and signing for top English club Arsenal, Kosmina must have thought his return to South Australia would mean an almost immediate resumption of national team duty.

But gradually Kosmina became remembered for his past. He fell out of favor with national coach Rudi Gutendorf and his club side West Adelaide struggled in the PSJ.

But a few months later he had joined Sydney City for \$20,000 and was back on the goal trail which earned him his place in the Soccerro squad.

Will he be nervous as he dons the green and gold on Saturday and prepares to run onto the field to play for his country?

"Well, it's been so long since I played for Australia that I can't remember whether or not I get nervous," he quipped.

Kosmina's experience in the cauldron of World Cup soccer on foreign shores should prove invaluable to the Soccerros.

"It's a different sort of pressure in a World Cup game. It's not something you can put into words. You have to experience it to get used to it," said Kosmina.

And what of the recent camp which the Soccerros have been involved in? Many people have slammed Gutendorf's command-like training.

"I haven't found the training camp that hard, just tedious.

"You're at it all the time. You're up at 6.45 am and down the beach for limbering up exercises, including sprints and runs. Then it's back for breakfast, then you have another session before lunch. After lunch you rest in the afternoon, get up for tea or coffee then you play one, sometimes two at night.

"Most of the work is physical." Kosmina is well aware of the rivalry between Australia and New Zealand. He played against New Zealand in the 1-1 draw and Australia's 3-1 win during the last World Cup campaign. He scored in the win in Sydney and was a half-time replacement for Mark Jankovic in Australia's 1-0 loss to New Zealand in 1978.

"Out of all the nations in the Asian region, New Zealand probably is the hardest to play against," he said.

"They're strong physically and most of their players are of British decent.

"They're very aggressive and they'll go for the full 90 minutes. They'll throw everything at us but we'll still win."

There will be a couple of million Australian supporters glued to their T.V. screens on Saturday afternoon praying that Kosmina is right.

They'll be watching Kosmina and his team mates facing up to the brunt of New Zealand's onslaught.

Through it all Kosmina should be one Soccerro who can hold his head high at the game's end if his previous national team efforts are any indication. — CRAIG MACKENZIE.

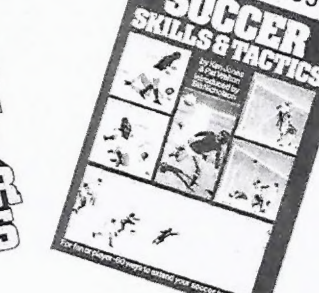
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## TOLD YOU SO ???

### ALTONA 1 (McGarrigle) CROYDON 1 (McCombe)

ALTONA: Massini 8 - P. Wilson (Inj), Lewis 10th 71, K. Wilson 7, Kliputich 7, McGarrigle 7 - Walters 8, Innes 7, Pavlovic 8 - Murphy 7, Whyte 7, Gambin 8.

CROYDON: Keogh 7 - Spink 7, Pongho 7, McCombe 6, Hobson 5 - Smith 5 (Wylke 60th), Wade 7, Howarth 7 - P. Loughnane 6, Brogan 6, J. Loughnane 6.

I knew all the time that Altona would take at least a point off the league leader and indeed should have won.

I had no doubts that Altona would give us all a bit of Croydon with everything but succumb to a Steve McCombe goal in the 87th minute.

## Croatia back, Gilder off

### SUNSHINE 1 (Morovic) CROATIA 3 (Gilder 2, Mitton)

SUNSHINE: Cortini 6 - Dixey 7, Ellis 7, Lowe 6 (sent off 65th), Morovic 7 - Mussel 6, Nelson 6, McWhally 5 - Bennigan 4, Mudrinic 6, Luing 6 (Sagalla 80th).

CROATIA: Blasby 7 - Short 8, Bannan 9, Kokoska 7, Blavay 7, Trout 7, Kerr 6, Adams 7 - Witten 5, Gilder - (sent off 65th), Murphy 7.

Croatia sounded a warning to other State League clubs with a convincing 3-1 win against Sunshine.

The Croatia machine is moving into top gear and running smoothly once more.

After a stuttering start with a loss to Croydon and a draw with Altona, the efficient, interpassing style of previous years is re-emerging.

It had to come soon with the calibre of players in Len McKendry's hands.

It took just 13 minutes for Croatia to score at Chaplin Reserve last Sunday.

Joe Trout drew his corner kick across goal to Carl Gilder making a late run at the far post. Gilder met the ball in full flight and smacked a fierce header in off the underside of the bar.

In the 39th minute the in-form Gilder notched his second.

He played a fine one-two with Noel Mitten and rounded the advancing Alan Conti

I thought that there was a possibility of an early injury setback for the Kim Reserve locals but I knew that big Paul Lewis would come on and after a nervous start would prove his worth.

I also was sure that Vinko Pavlovic would take Duncan Smith out of the game and Dennis Massini would continue to show the excellent form which makes him one of the best keepers in the league.

I also knew that Altona coach John Payne would ring me on Monday morning after Sunday's match and would be in a good mood.

The one thing I didn't account for was the admission

from Croydon coach Bill McArthur who told me that Altona certainly deserved a point and that he felt his side wasn't going to score until McCombe's last gasp leveler.

To be honest I was dumbfounded when I heard the result at about 5.30 pm on Sunday evening.

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Jim Paparas (left) who scored, is shadowed by Hakoah's Anton Dosen.

## O'Hara starts with a win

### GEORGE CROSS 2 (Paparas, Mizzi) HAKOAH 1 (Jordanou)

GEORGE CROSS: O'Hara 7 - Morgan 7, Wilkinson 8, Maitland 7, McKinley 7 - Gambin 8 (Inj Ziegler 17th), Bannan 8, Rigby 8, Mizzi 7 - Paparas 7, Flaherty 7.

HAKOAH: Fryzzer 7 - Davidson 8, Dosen 7, Jordanou 6, Rooney 6 - Wilson 7, French 6, Gashby 6, Nagy 5 (Mallachan 77th), McCluskey 5, Webster 5.

Hakoah's Scottish import George Hannah won't have any trouble getting into the first team.

Hannah must have wondered what he'd got himself into as he watched his team mates stumble around Chaplin Reserve eventually slumping to an inglorious 2-1 defeat.

Hakoah rarely looked dangerous while poor finishing denied Cross on at least three occasions late in the game.

Cross ruled supreme in the middle of the park.

Ged Bannan worked tirelessly as usual, Dave Rigby's disposal was excellent, Paul Gambin had a stormer of a game, taking men on and charging off down the right while Ray Mizzi came into the



game in the second half as acres of space on Cross's left suddenly opened up.

Cross should have struck as early as the 20th minute.

Gambin beat one defender then set off for the Hakoah area. He played a one-two with Brian Flaherty and tried to slip the ball low past Mike Fryzzer but struck it just wide of the far upright.

Then the Cross scored in the 40th minute.

Bannan knocked the ball square to Harry McKinlay who was on the half line. He played a great crossfield ball to Gambin in the clear down the right. The tiny Gambin strode into the Hakoah area and unleashed a hard, low shot which Fryzzer, at the near post, only could parry.

Four minutes after the interval Stan Webster mis-kicked from 10 metres with only Mike O'Hara to beat.

O'Hara was signed late last week on a free from Hakoah and his experience and calling was a bonus at the back for Cross.

Paparas twice was foiled by the quick reactions of Fryzzer and Flaherty lobbed inches wide but Hakoah hit back in the 75th minute.

O'Hara and Webster collided and referee Zoumas decided that O'Hara's challenge was unfair. Graham French curled the resulting free kick toward the far post but O'Hara charged into a pack of players and palmed the ball out.

The ball fell to Bill Jordanou just outside the area and he calmly curled it inside the top far corner as O'Hara tried in vain to recover.

But Ray Mizzi scored the decisive nine minutes later when a long, high ball from Damien Morgan caught Hakoah's defence out. Mizzi charged in and tapped the ball first time on the volley past the stranded Fryzzer.

## MORALE - BOOSTER

### NORTHCOTE 1 (Sahinidis) JUVENTUS 2 (Incantalupo, Penzo)

NORTHCOTE: Tachiris 8 - Petrakos 5, Nelson 8, Kiriak 8, Fakos 7 - Sial 7, Kallitidis 7, Gatzou 7 - Nicolaidis 7, Vasic 7, Sahinidis 7.

JUVENTUS: Fantoma 7 - Davidson 7, Terquino 7, McMillan 7, Hird 7 - L. Sial 6 (Della Rocca 65th), Sannipoli 7, Vaccaro 7 - McCosker 6 (Kaan 70th), Puzos 6, Incantalupo 7.

Northcote paid dearly for its poor finishing while Juventus snatched a couple of points to boost the morale of the players in the light of the adverse publicity arising out of Juve's financial problems.

Dragan Vasic played his first game for the Northerners after transferring from Footscray J.U.S.T. for \$3000.

He wouldn't have been pleased with team mate John Nicolaidis who could have given Vasic his first State League goal in the first half.

Nicolaidis beat two defenders but rather than cut the ball back to the unmarked Vasic he elected to shoot from a tight angle and the ball flew harmlessly into the side netting.

Then Kris Kalitidis broke through with the ball bouncing in front of him. He calmly lobbed the advancing Alex Fantoma but the ball hit the bar, bounced back into play and was cleared by any McMillan.

Fabio Incantalupo went close with a diving header from Sandro Penzo's cross but the ball bounced down and up over the bar.

But Northcote finally found

the target in the 44th minute.

Vasic won a challenge, took the ball to the byline and crossed near post. Nicolaidis headed on to the incoming Sakis Sahinidis at the far post and he headed home from close range.

Five minutes after the restart Angelo Petrakos took down Incantalupo in the area and the Australian youth international had no difficulty converting from the spot.

Petrakos gave away a free kick outside the area in the 80th minute.

Lou Sannipoli, who had settled his differences with Juve through the week, crossed far post to McMillan. He headed goalward, "Rocky" Tachiris palmed out and Penzo was on hand to strike the crucial blow from point blank range.

## Polonia sets hot pace, 'Daxi' powers Wests

### THE VICTORIAN LEAGUES

Polonia continued to set a sizzling pace in First Division with a 2-0 away win against Morwell Falcons.

The win puts Polonia three points clear at the top of the table.

Western Suburbs pegged back Albion with a 2-2 win at Selwyn Park. Suburbs full-back Daxi Kypritidis scored twice.

And Springvale continued with a 2-1 loss to Melbourne whose coach Harry Chalkitis was highly critical of the Springvale display.

Frankston Pines faltered 2-4 to Ardeer but Brighton, Nunawading, Sunbury and Mornington continued their race for the top two spots in Fourth Division.

### FIRST DIVISION BOX HILL 4 ALTONA GATE 0

SCORERS: Lawler 2, Darlington, Taylor.

BOX HILL: Morgan, Roodhouse, Brownie, Singleton, Ras, Verachia, (Ramos 76 min.), Valentine, Macdonald, Lawler, Taylor, Darlington.

ALTONA GATE: Dimitriouki, Di-novski, Valakovski, Saravali, Skuris, Bozinovski, Talevski, Sekulovski.

Box Hill continued their erratic progress with a crushing 4-0 victory over Altona Gate at Wembley Park on Saturday.

The game opened at a furious pace with the visitors looking 'slightly more dan-

gerous, until in the 11th minute a long ball from Ian Roodhouse found Donovan Lawler 30 yards from goal. Struggling off the attentions of Vassilovski, and Kotevski, Lawler coolly placed an obliquely angled left foot shot past the keeper, into the far corner of the goal to put Box Hill one up.

Altona Gate fought back but the Hillmen's tails were up and with Peter Verechia managing to give the impression of being in three places at once, and the dominating figure of Don Brownie winning everything in the air, Graham Morgan was not seriously troubled.

In the 21st minute Box Hill won a corner on the left following good work by David Singleton and Ian Macleod. Ray Taylor hit the ball hard and low to Ian Darlington, who was given time to control the ball, and force it through a crowd of players into the back of the net for number two.

Box Hill were in full control now, and came close to adding to their score just before half time when Lawler was unlucky to see his header pass just the wrong side of the post with Dimitriouki well beaten.

In the second half Altona Gate pushed Kotevski forward but it was Box Hill through Mickey Valentine who came closest to scoring. However, Valentine fired his shot straight at Dimitriouki from the spot, after he had been pulled down by Valakovski in the area.

This let off galvanised Altona Gate into action but a period of prolonged pressure,



DAXI KYPRITIDIS during which Gelevski and Bozinovski were prominent, could not produce a vital goal.

Gradually the home side regained its composure and a tiring Altona Gate was put on the rack when, with thirteen minutes left, Lawler dispossessed Serovski on the edge of the area, rounded Nasalovski and squared the ball for Taylor to crash it into the foot of the net from close range.

The scoring was completed in the 84th minute when the ever alert Lawler, intercepted a weak back pass and rounded the stranded keeper, to place the ball into the empty net.

In what was essentially a team victory Box Hill must recognise the contributions of 18 year old Peter Verechia, playing in his first full senior game, who literally ran himself into the ground until he was replaced in the 75th minute by Pedro Ramos.

Veteran sweeper Billy Rae showed a welcome return to something approaching his top form.

Reserves: BOX HILL 3 (Leskovic 2, McLeod) ALTONA GATE 0.

### SLAVIA 1 KEILOR AUSTRIA 2

This game proved to be a very hard tackling but exciting game with both teams creating plenty of scoring chances.

It was Austria which had the upper hand showing more determination in its play and going close on numerous occasions.

In the 55th minute Ossie Latif pounced on a chance created by Dave Beattie and made no mistake from 20 metres.

Slavia kept plugging away and it was left to Billy Auld to equalize in the 63rd minute, after a defensive error in midfield by Austria.

In the 85th minute Beattie took advantage of a George Grbac long throw-in to win the match for Austria.

Best: Slavia: M. McGorian, S. Lawson, Liam Houston, Keilor: T. Brewerton, D. Beattie, O. Latif.

### MORWELL FALCONS 0 POLONIA 2

SCORERS: P. Czapnik, Lakić.

POLONIA: Dislakowski, Liparski, Jaworski, Klain, Gamsanski, Pichner, Wallace, P. Czapnik, Sekulovski, Kyravski, Lakić.

Polonia journeyed to Morwell on Easter Saturday and returned to Melbourne with two points from a 2-0 win.

The game was two minutes old when Brenden Lakić broke away but was fouled by Steve Walker. Keeper Digilio did well to save the resulting free from Richard Sekulski.

Polonia took the lead when Peter Czapnik pounced on a defensive error to score from point blank range.

Five minutes after the break a Ted Krynski corner found John Wallace but again Digilio saved well.

A four man interpassing move starting with Michael Pichner's short corner ended when Lakić placed the ball past Digilio.

### SECOND DIVISION MELBOURNE 2 SPRINGVALE 1

SCORERS: Melbourne: Diamantaris, Milborrow. Springvale: Bennisan.

MELBOURNE: Magro, Corra, Bird, Gooch, Millar, Borbia (In), Whit 65th, Us, Calomino, Theodoropoulos, Milborrow, Diamantaris.

Although Springvale had the aid of a strong wind in the first half its performance drew strong criticism from Melbourne coach Harry Chalkitis.

"From the money Springvale spent I expected a hell of a lot more. It's a terrible side," he said.

"With the wind, Springvale created only one good chance."

Springvale however hit the front in the second half when Daryl Gooch and John Bird were judged to have brought down a Springvale striker.

The experienced Steve Bennie scored from the spot.

Melbourne hit back through Phil Diamantaris. His corner sent the ball past the challenge of the Springvale keeper and Paul Milborrow and in off the far post.

Milborrow wrapped up both points in the 84th minute.

### BEST: Milborrow, Gooch, Lia.

### FAWKNER 2 (B. Sabidussi, Fragale) DONCASTER ROVERS 2

FAWKNER: Sabadini, Polita, Fattore, Schipano, Giacomini, C. Sabidussi, B. Sabidussi, Fragale, B. Sabidussi, Fragale (Lynn 85th), Mainenti, Santangelo.

Fawkner meets Frankston Pines in one of the biggest matches of the Metropolitan League at Jukes Road, Fawkner, on Saturday.

Fawkner is on top of the Second Division, and Pines are second.

Doncaster took the lead with a penalty last weekend, but Fawkner came back strongly to go to 2-1 with goals by Bruno Sabidussi and Frank Fragale.

Doncaster equalised about 10 minutes from the end.

Fawkner's best players were Sabadini, Fragale, B. Sabidussi and Mainenti.

### FOURTH DIVISION CHELSEA 1 MORNINGTON 3

Geoff Menlove's head kept Chelsea at the foot of Fourth Division without a point to its credit.

Menlove headed home all three Mornington goals as Chelsea surprised its more fancied opponents with a 10th minute equaliser from McEwan.

Menlove struck in the 7th, 24th, and 80th minutes.

A desperate Chelsea applied the pressure in the closing minutes but the Mornington defence led by Nick van Egmond, held the home side at bay.

Mornington's ability to finish off its chances was the major difference between the sides.

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## Ajax, George Cross vie for supremacy

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**There's more at stake than two points when Green Gully Ajax and George Cross slug it out at Green Gully Reserve this Sunday.**

For the many fans who flock to this match the clash is as much a matter of national and club pride as a game between two rival State League clubs.

The winner will claim the right to be the flag bearer for the Maltese community in Victoria.

The losing fans will probably blame the referee, their players, their committee or even some supernatural cause.

The winning players will be treated like kings in the clubrooms after the match.

That's the kind of aura which surrounds a local Maltese derby.

It's also the sort of glamor which State League officials will hope to foster now that the Croatia-Macedonia rivalry has been broken by Macedonia's departure to the PSL.

True to form I've had to head a coin to pick the winner. It landed with tosses a couple to that means Ajax will win.

It's the old heads at Ajax which hold the key to a game played under the cauldron of cup atmosphere.

John Gardiner's commanding presence at the back will trouble the Cross where it appears at its weakest - up front.

Ajax lacks a midfield ball winner of the calibre of Ged Bannan and there will be no more creative midfielder on the park than Dave Rigby.

But Gus McLeod will worry Norm Maitland while Kevin Wall is getting into dangerous positions up front and his poaching ability should soon pay dividends.

Cross could spring a surprise for this match with the appearance of Melbourne youngster Paul Drinoczky.

The young defender probably will be signed by Jim Adam this week from Second Division club Melbourne for \$2,500.

What a baptism for Drinoczky should he play against Ajax!

I think that we'll see the best of Ajax's foreign legion this weekend and although my tips are as deadly as poisoned darts I still think Ajax will win.

Sunshine travels to Croydon Park with newcomer Norrie Pate adding much needed striking power to its line-up.

The Shiners are hopeful that English young-

sters Paul Harvey and Rob Atkins will arrive in time for the Croydon clash.

Sunshine's recent performances suggest that its imported trio will be in immediate demand.

Although the Shiners will fight all the way Croydon should get home by a short half head.

Croatia should continue on the winning trail against Northcote on Sunday.

Carl Gilder will be sorely missed but the added burden on Noel Mitten's shoulders should see the former Hellas, Albion and Frankston striker hit the goal trail. He looked sharp against Sunshine last week and Northcote stopper Alex Nelson, although in fine form, has a hell of a task on his hands to stifle Mitten.

Doveton can open its State League winning account at the Expense of Juventus at Gillon Oval on Sunday.

The Doves front line didn't get much of a look-in last week against the Ajax defence but Juventus doesn't boast defenders of the calibre of Stuart Cannell, Gardiner, Paul Lewis and Gerry Bennett.

With Steve Irvine moving Andy McMillan all over the park and Alan Quinn running at defenders out wide the Doves should break the ice with a win here.

The Hakoah side should be declared a national disaster after recent performances.

What's the problem?

On paper Hakoah should do well but when it comes to doing it out on the field, forget it!

But I'm banking on the players' pride to get them out of their rut.

Even a point against Ringwood Wilhelmia would be a boost. And that's exactly what I'm going for - a draw.

I don't care how many Altona fans laugh at me but I'm not going to tip Altona this week.

In fact I'm not going to tip.

Good luck to whoever wins the Frankston-Altona game at Centenary Park on Sunday.

And by the way, there's no truth in the rumour that if Charlie Egan and Carl Holford don't start smoking and drinking within four weeks then they'll be put on the transfer list.

And if you live in the Frankston area and only have a couple of minutes to spare on Sunday afternoon pop down and watch John Pryde.



## GEELS HERE NEXT YEAR?

Former Dutch international Ruud Geels (pictured, shooting) may join Ringwood City for the 1982 season.

Geels will become a free player in December and his club Sparta Rotterdam won't be able to hold him. Sparta vetoed a move to get Geels here for a six game guest player stint this season.

Geels, 32, is nicknamed the "White Tornado" and he has the unique distinction of scoring five goals in a First Division game. He was playing for Ajax Amsterdam against his old club Feyenoord.

Geels is likely to start up his own business in Australia.



**This weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:**  
Hakoah v Ringwood Wilhelmia (draw) at Middle Park, Sunday, 3 pm.  
GREEN GULLY AJAX v George Cross at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.  
JUVENTUS v DOVETON at Gillon Oval, Sunday, 3 pm.  
CROATIA v Northcote at Olympic Park No. 2, Sunday, 3 pm.  
CROYDON v Sunshine at Croydon Park, Sunday, 3 pm.  
Frankton v Altona at Centenary Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

## Fighting Doves!



**DOVETON 0 GREEN GULLY AJAX 0.**

**DOVETON:** Ivanoff 8 - Thurlow 8, Merrick 8, Corke 9, McConville 8 (inj Wilcock 75th) - Train 7, Bentley 6, Wassell 5 - Charlie 5, Irvine 5, Gair 6.

**AJAX:** Denys 7 - Lewis 7, Cannell 9, Gardiner 8, Bennett 7 - Grechan 4, Vassallo 4, Williams 5 - Wall 5, McLeod 6, Morrey 6 (inj Hogban 60th).

Doveton's fierce commitment and Ajax's midfield weakness produced a game highlighted by the organisation of both defences. A 0-0 draw was a fair result.

Waratah Reserve isn't place for faint hearts.

Unfortunately for Ajax the soft hearted approach from a couple of its midfielders allowed the Doves to come out on top in most 50-50 challenges.

Doveton import Kim Wassell gave Kit Grechan acres of room in the first half which Grechan failed to exploit. Jim Williams often found himself forced into carrying the ball out of midfield and taking on opponents while Willie Vassallo never really got going.

The two outstanding players were the stoppers at different ends of the ground.

Stuart Cannell ruled supreme all day. He won almost everything in the air and didn't give Steve Irvine an inch.

Paul Corke stuck to Gus McLeod like glue. Corke was always at McLeod's back as the bustling Ajax striker came off him and the slimy built Doveton stopper did well in the air. McLeod never turned.

The closest either side came to scoring was late in the game when John Gardiner took a free kick just outside the area on Ajax's left. Gardiner chipped the ball over the Doveton defence to Kevin Wall who had timed his run well. Wall tried to spin around and volley the ball past the advancing Lou Ivanoff. Wall missed, the ball ran to Peter Lewis who hammered it toward goal.

Ernie Merrick had run in behind Ivanoff and the ball rebounded off his body into Ivanoff's hands.

Young Doveton striker John McDonald is transfer listed.

It is believed that the asking price for a State League club is \$1500 and \$600 for a Metro First Division club.

## TEAM OF THE WEEK

MASSENI (Altona)				
WILKINSON (G. Cross)	P. BANNON (Croatia)	CANNELL (Ajax)	CORKE (D'ton)	
GAMBIN (G. Cross)	KRIARIS (N'cote)	PAVLOVIC (Altona)	EGAN (F'ton)	
PENZO (Juva)	GILDER (Croatia)			

## STATE LEAGUE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Croydon.....	2	1	0	8	4	5
Ajax.....	2	1	0	4	1	5
Juventus.....	2	0	1	4	3	4
Frankston.....	2	0	1	5	4	4
Croatia.....	1	1	1	6	3	3
Ringwood.....	1	1	1	4	3	3
Doveton.....	0	3	0	3	3	3
Northcote.....	1	0	2	5	2	2
Geo. Cross.....	1	0	2	3	2	2
Altona.....	0	2	1	3	4	2
Sunshine.....	1	0	2	2	4	2
Hakoah.....	0	1	2	3	7	1

## Egan top scorer

\* General Tourist Travel Service will sponsor the State League Top Scorer award. The winner receives a return trip for two to New Zealand. Leading scorers are:

- 4 - Egan (F),
- 3 - I. Loughane (Croy),
- 2 - Sahinidis (N), McLeod (GGA), Jordanou (H), Incantalupo (J), Brogan (Croy), Adams, Gilder (C).

## Gambin week's best

Every week "Soccer Action" nominates a State League Player of the Week who wins a dinner for two at Leo's Restaurant, 55 Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda.

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## EGAN NETS TWO



**RINGWOOD 2 (Greenor, O'Callaghan) FRANKSTON 3 (Egan 2, Gillespie)**

\*RINGWOOD: Faen 8 - Pezman 7, Lyrain 7, Brooks 7, Anderson 7 - Brown 6, O'Callaghan 5, Mat 5 - Greenor 5, O'Riley 7, Thom 7.

FRANKSTON: Gilbert 7 - Thomson 7, Adams 7, McCloskey 7, Gillespie 7 - Webb 6 (Pryde 80th), Cooper 6, Holford 7, Stewart 7 - Egan 2, Buchanan 7.

Carl Holford made his debut for Frankston last Sunday but it was another import, Charlie Egan, who stole the limelight with two goals and a spectacular third which was disallowed.

The diminutive Egan has found his scoring touch quickly in only his third game with the Baysiders.

Ringwood played attractively, if somewhat slow in its build-up but it lacks the finishing ability to firmly make its mark on State League yet.

After David Gilbert had done well to save Ian Greenor's half volley from the edge of the area, a goalmouth scramble ended when Greener scored from close range.

Egan levelled when he pounced on a mistake near the half line, beat one defender then set off for goal. He let fly with a firmly struck shot from 10 metres which gave Les Faen no chance.

Then Egan grabbed his second before half time and the Baysiders went further ahead in the second half when a near post corner was headed on by Bill Buchanan to Eric Gillespie standing on the goal line. The tall Frankston defender flicked the ball home.

Brian Thom's far post free kick from the left went to O'Callaghan and the unmarked Ringwood midfielder headed truly.

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- This week's votes:**
- ALTONA v CROYDON**
    - 3 - Pavlovic (A)
    - 2 - Masseni (A)
    - 1 - Waters (A)
  - GEORGE CROSS v HAKOAH**
    - 3 - Gambin (GC)
    - 2 - Wilkinson (GC)
    - 1 - Bennett (GC)
  - DOVETON v GREEN GULLY AJAX**
    - 3 - Cannell (GGA)
    - 2 - Corke (D)
    - 1 - Ivanoff (D)
  - RINGWOOD v FRANKSTON**
    - 3 - Egan (R)
    - 2 - Faen (R)
    - 1 - Brown (R)

- NORTHCOTE v JUVENTUS**
  - 3 - Kiriata (N)
  - 2 - Panzo (J)
  - 1 - Nelson (N)
- SUNSHINE v CROATIA**
  - 3 - Bannan (C)
  - 2 - Gilder (C)
  - 1 - Niven (C)
- PROGRESSIVE VOTES:**
  - 6 - Cannell (GGA)
  - 5 - Ellis (S), Bannan (GC), Faen (R), Masseni (A), Egan (F), Adams (F), Wade, L. Loughane, Brogan (Croy), Gezonika, Nelson, Kiriata (N), Irvine, McConville (D), Brooks (R), McLeod (GGA), Kerr, Bannan (C), Pavlovic (A), Gambin (GC).

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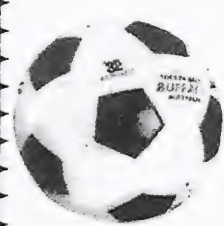
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### Adams for Croatia

Victorian State League club Essendon Croatia has received ASF and Immigration Department approval to bring Kevin Adams here from England.

Adams' older brother Keith started negotiations between Kevin and Croatia.

The 18 year old attacking midfielder is playing with Ashbrook Sparta.



### Junior regional trials

Victorian under-15 coach Ian Petherick will hold special regional trials at Port Melbourne on Saturday, May 9 at 9.30 pm.

The trials are mainly for boys who have missed out on previous trials due to other sporting commitments or the inability of their club secretary to inform or nominate them for trials.

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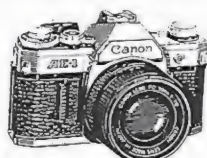

  

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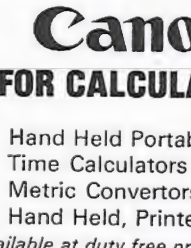
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From left, standing: Andrew Melroy (from Mordialloc, 1980), Paul Bakatsoulas (ex-George Cross), Sam Nihias, Slobodan Zoraja (player-coach, ex-J.U.S.T.), Con Tripas, Con Lazaridis (Polonia, 1980), George Nicopolous (Mordialloc, 1978), Tony Spanos (president).  
Front: Sam Ioannidis (ex-Richmond), Boullis Kamboropoulos (ex-Hellas and Alexander), Nodas Papmarkos, Joe Falzon (ex-George Cross), Con Tahmazis (ex-Slavica), Nick Papas.



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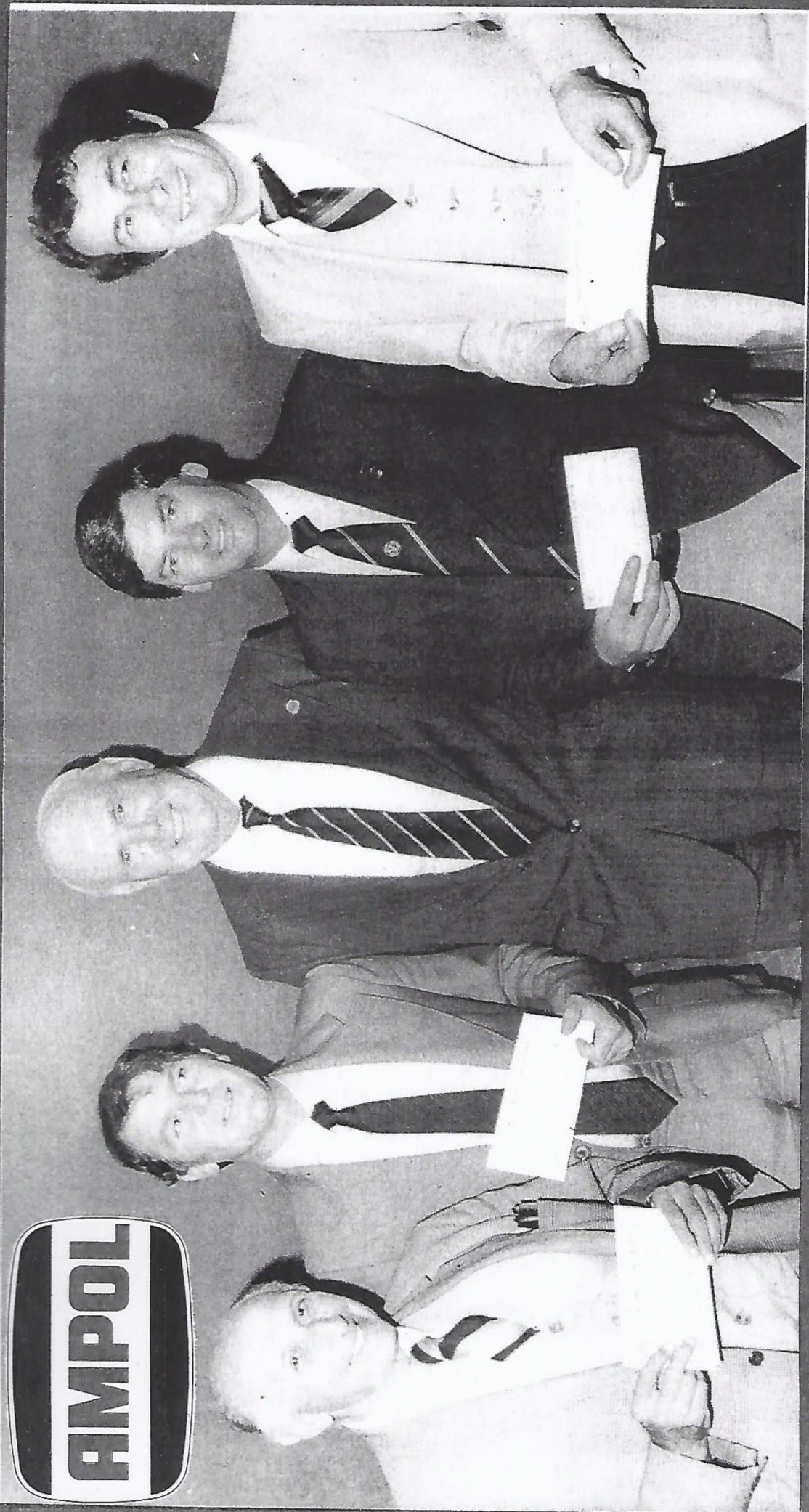












# AMPOL'S 27 YEAR SUPPORT FOR VSF

The Ampol company sponsors soccer in every Australian state except Western Australia.  
Ampol's Western Australian manager didn't want to support soccer. He's since left the company.  
That's what Ampol's Victorian manager Tom Nisbet said at a reception at Ampol's headquarters in Melbourne last week.  
The reception was called to present prize money to this year's Victorian Ampol Cup finalists Ajax and Croydon and beaten semi-finalists Croatia and Hakoah.  
The VSF was represented by chairman and ASF vice-president Michael Weinstein, senior vice-president Eric Heath, vice-president Peter Collins,

secretary George Wallace, State League chairman Vito Cilauri, treasurer John Borg and publicity officer Lew Stifface.  
The picture above shows representatives from the four clubs which won prize money standing on either side of Nisbet (centre). From right to left: Kurt Derris (Hakoah), Guy Spiteri (Ajax), Nisbet, Geoff Peg (Croydon) and Frank Burn (Croatia).  
The reception re-affirmed the 27 year old support which the VSF has received from Ampol.  
Their relationship was fostered by former Ampol chairman Sir William Walkley.